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GOTTA HEAVE THIS DYNAMITE AWAY BEFORE IT GOES OFF!
BUT THOSE BUSHWHACKERS CAN'T SEE I'M TRYIN' TO SAVE THEM, TOO!
IF THEY WING ME--WE'RE ALL GONERS!

SHOWDOWN AT SUNSET!

Send For Free Information On How

YOU, TOO, CAN OWN A POWER-PACK BODY

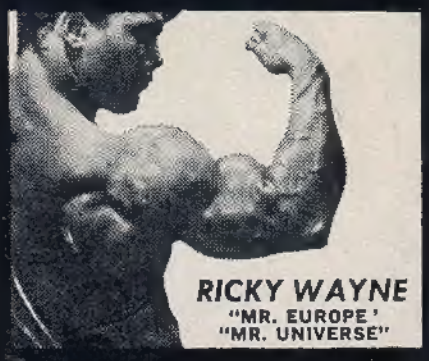
Like These Weider Pupils and Champions!

LARRY SCOTT
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Twice "Mr. Olympia" winner—Larry stands 5' 7", weighs 205 lbs. and has a pair of 20" arms! He is considered one of the world's best-built men—but he was a 136-lb. weakling before mailing the coupon! **This Can Happen To You Too!**

FREDDY ORTIZ
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Freddy stands 5' 5", weighs 185 lbs. of rock-hard muscle. His arms measure 19" and he is considered the best-built short man in the world. Yet, he was a 115-lb. skinny weakling before sending in the coupon! **Why Not You?**

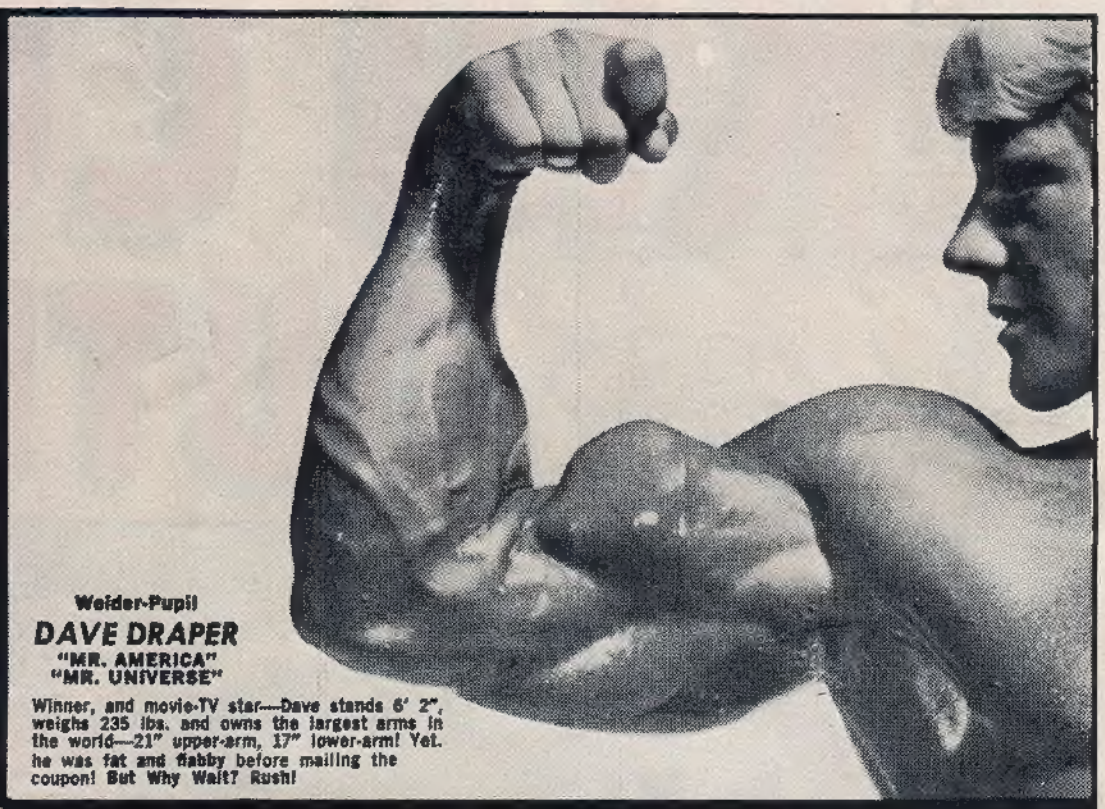


RICKY WAYNE
"MR. EUROPE"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Ricky is 5' 8", weighs 198 lbs. of Herculean muscle. His arms measure a full 19¼", and he is considered the best-built man in Europe today. He weighed a pityfull 123 lbs. before sending the coupon! **And It Can Happen To You!**

CHUCK SIPES
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Chuck stands 6', weighs 225 lbs., and has a pair of 20" arms—among the strongest in the world! He was a 141-lb. weakling before sending in the free coupon! **Now How About You?**



Weider-Pupil
DAVE DRAPER
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner, and movie-TV star—Dave stands 6' 2", weighs 235 lbs. and owns the largest arms in the world—21" upper-arm, 17" lower-arm! Yet, he was fat and flabby before mailing the coupon! **But Why Wait? Rush!**

FREE! MUSCLE COURSE THAT CAN ADD 3 INCHES TO YOUR ARMS *FAST!*

...AND MAKE YOU INTO AN ATHLETIC VIRILE HE-MAN!!

In half the time, with twice the ease, in the privacy of your own room, in just a few minutes a day, I will, through my "TRIPLE-PROGRESSION COURSE" that I want to send you FREE, guarantee that virtually overnight, you will experience a muscle-building miracle! Before your eyes you'll slap on inches of steel-hard muscles to your pipe-stem arms, pack your chest with power and size, give yourself life-guard shoulders, dynamic, speedy, athletic legs. Add jet-charged strength to every muscle in your body. I don't care if, today, you own the scraggiest, flabbiest, skinniest or funniest-looking body, whether you're tall or short, young or not-so-young, skinny or fat, office-worker, laborer, school-boy or businessman, I must make a new, virile he-man out of you—with handsome muscles bursting out all over! They will ripple with power, vibrate with energy! And for the fist time in your life, men will envy your body—women admire it, because at last you will own a body that brings you fame instead of shame! What I did for Dave Draper "Mr. Universe" winner, and for hundreds of other champions since 1936, I am ready to do for you! A-C-T-I-O-N is the key to strength! Fill out the coupon below NOW! Rush it to me—and in hours, with no charge to you—at my own expense, you too, like Dave Draper did, will start putting an end to your weakness! You have nothing to lose but your weakness! ACT NOW!—SUPPLY IS LIMITED!

THIS GIANT 32 PAGE COURSE

ABSOLUTELY FREE!

WRITE TO: JOE WEIDER Dept. 83-112 G
TRAINER OF CHAMPIONS SINCE 1936,
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Dear Joe: Shoot the works! I am saying YES to becoming a New Man! Rush me your free Muscle-Building information which I can use right now at home to build a handsome and useful body.

I enclose only 25c to cover the cost of handling and mailing. I am under no further obligation.

NAME_____

ADDRESS_____

CITY_____ STATE_____

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(Please print clearly)

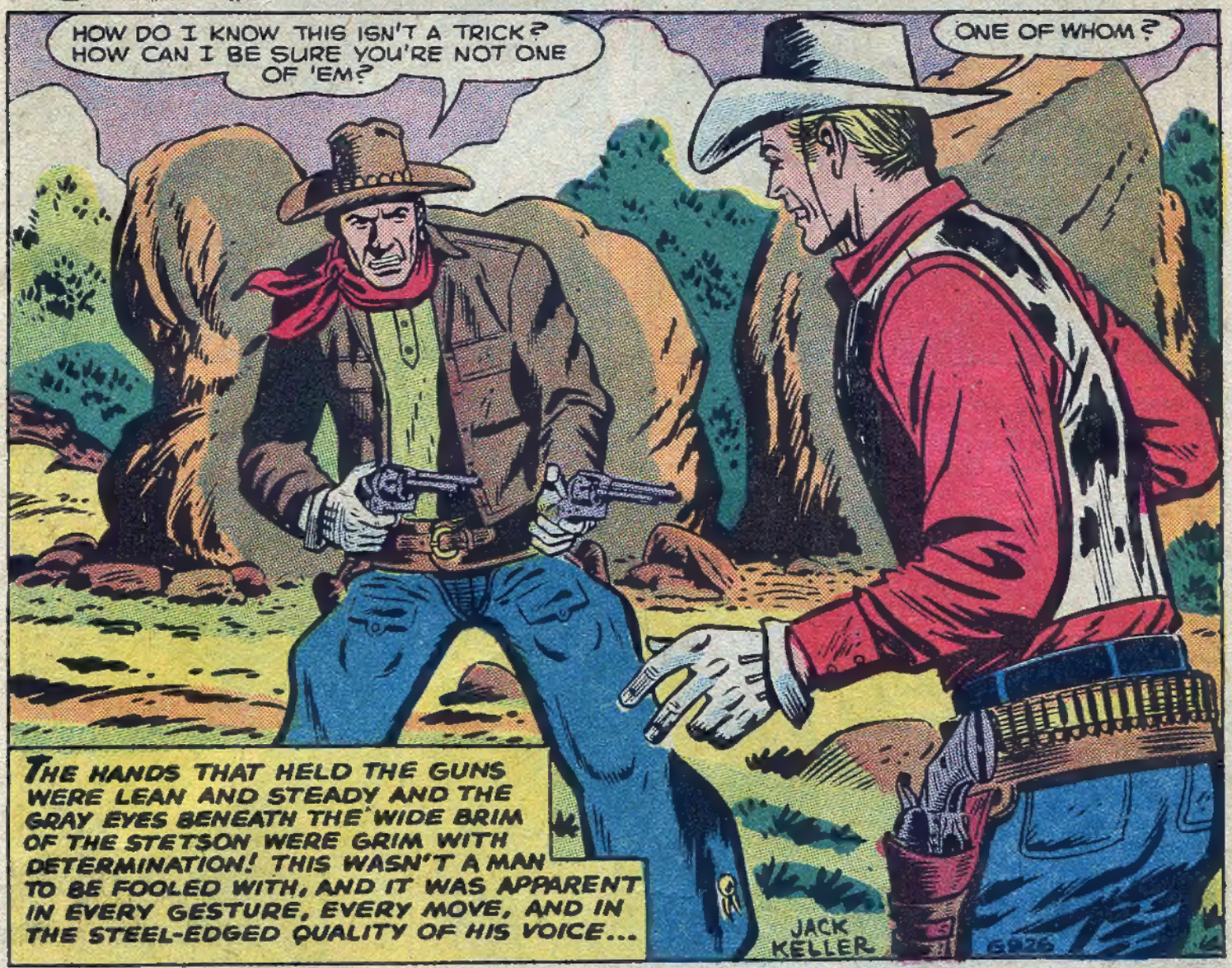
JOE WEIDER
Personal trainer of "Mr. America" "Mr. Universe" "Mr. Canada" perfect men title winners since 1936—and over 2,000,000 successful pupils the world over!

I have √ where I need more muscle:

I Want: ☐ Bigger Arms ☐ Larger Neck ☐ Deeper Chest
☐ Trim Waist ☐ Athletic Legs ☐ Added Weight
☐ Broader Shoulders ☐ More Endurance and Power

MAIL COUPON TODAY! NO OBLIGATION! NOTHING TO BUY!

KID COLT OUTLAW IN "WANTED!"


HOW DO I KNOW THIS ISN'T A TRICK? HOW CAN I BE SURE YOU'RE NOT ONE OF 'EM?
ONE OF WHOM?
THE HANDS THAT HELD THE GUNS WERE LEAN AND STEADY AND THE GRAY EYES BENEATH THE WIDE BRIM OF THE STETSON WERE GRIM WITH DETERMINATION! THIS WASN'T A MAN TO BE FOOLED WITH, AND IT WAS APPARENT IN EVERY GESTURE, EVERY MOVE, AND IN THE STEEL-EDGED QUALITY OF HIS VOICE...
JACK KELLER
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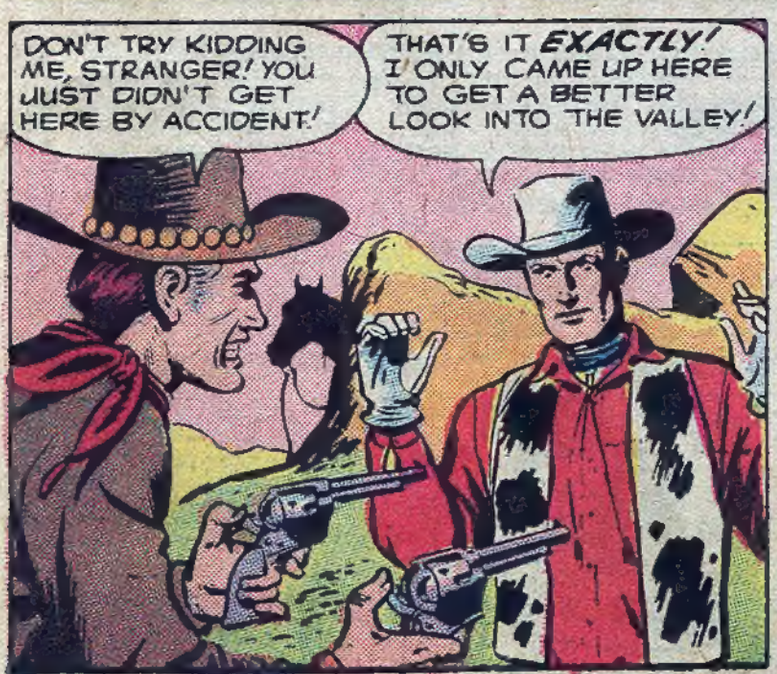
DON'T TRY KIDDING ME, STRANGER! YOU JUST DIDN'T GET HERE BY ACCIDENT!
THAT'S IT EXACTLY! I ONLY CAME UP HERE TO GET A BETTER LOOK INTO THE VALLEY!

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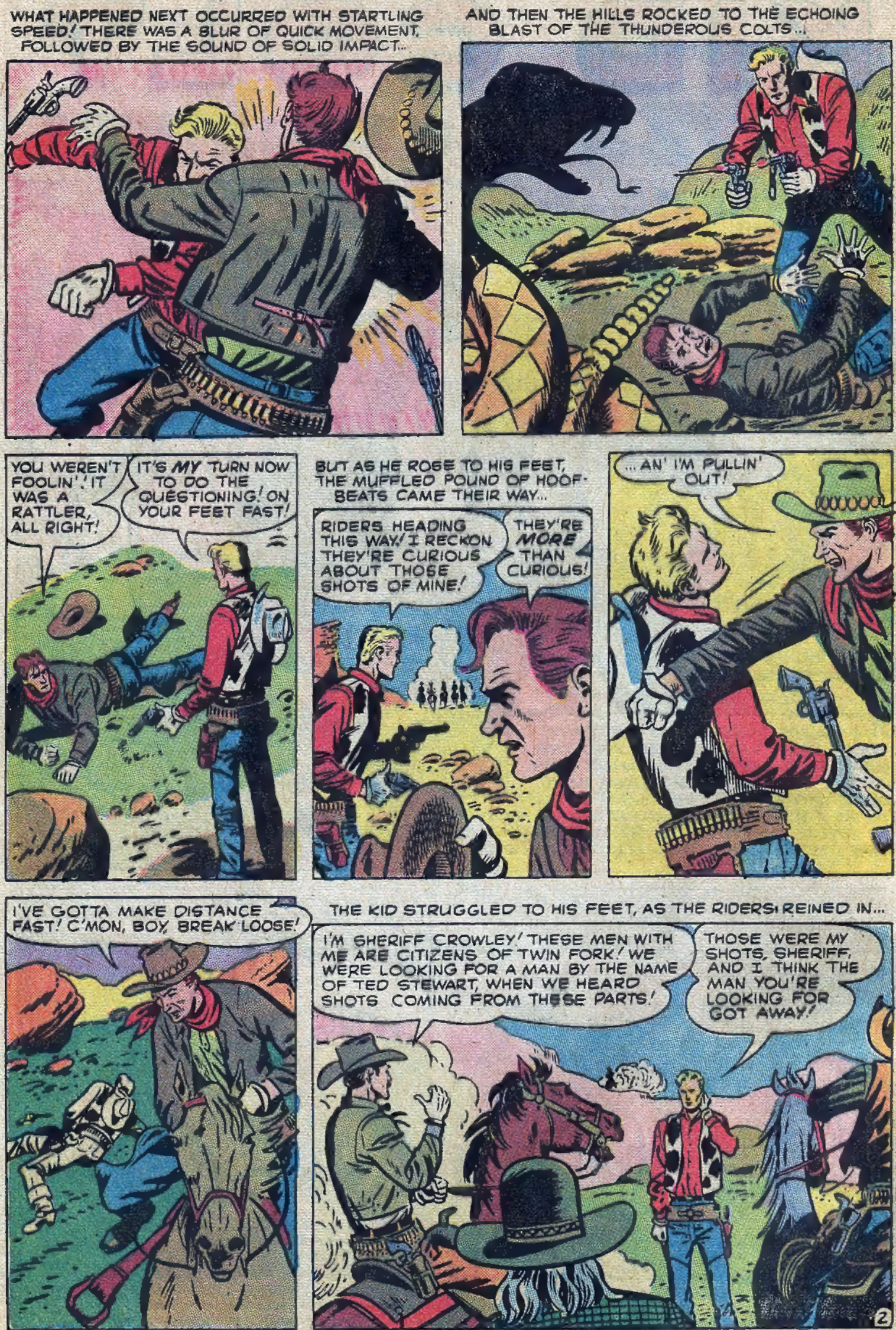
WHAT HAPPENED NEXT OCCURRED WITH STARTLING SPEED! THERE WAS A BLUR OF QUICK MOVEMENT, FOLLOWED BY THE SOUND OF SOLID IMPACT..
AND THEN THE HILLS ROCKED TO THE ECHOING BLAST OF THE THUNDEROUS COLTS...
YOU WEREN'T FOOLIN'! IT WAS A RATTLER, ALL RIGHT!
IT'S MY TURN NOW TO DO THE QUESTIONING! ON YOUR FEET FAST!
BUT AS HE ROSE TO HIS FEET, THE MUFFLED POUND OF HOOF-BEATS CAME THEIR WAY...
RIDERS HEADING THIS WAY! I RECKON THEY'RE CURIOUS ABOUT THOSE SHOTS OF MINE!
THEY'RE MORE THAN CURIOUS!
...AN' I'M PULLIN' OUT!
I'VE GOTTA MAKE DISTANCE FAST! C'MON, BOY, BREAK LOOSE!
THE KID STRUGGLED TO HIS FEET, AS THE RIDERS REINED IN...
I'M SHERIFF CROWLEY! THESE MEN WITH ME ARE CITIZENS OF TWIN FORK! WE WERE LOOKING FOR A MAN BY THE NAME OF TED STEWART, WHEN WE HEARD SHOTS COMING FROM THESE PARTS!
THOSE WERE MY SHOTS, SHERIFF, AND I THINK THE MAN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR GOT AWAY!
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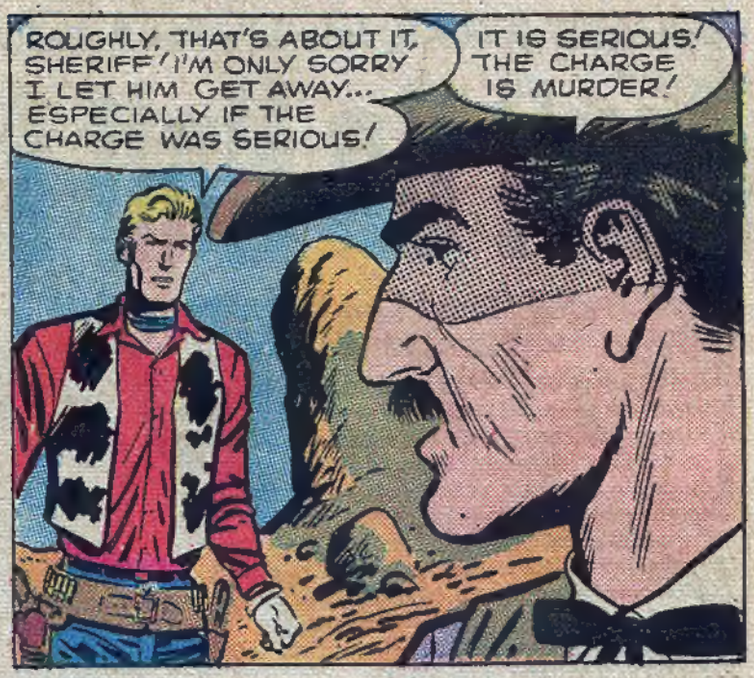
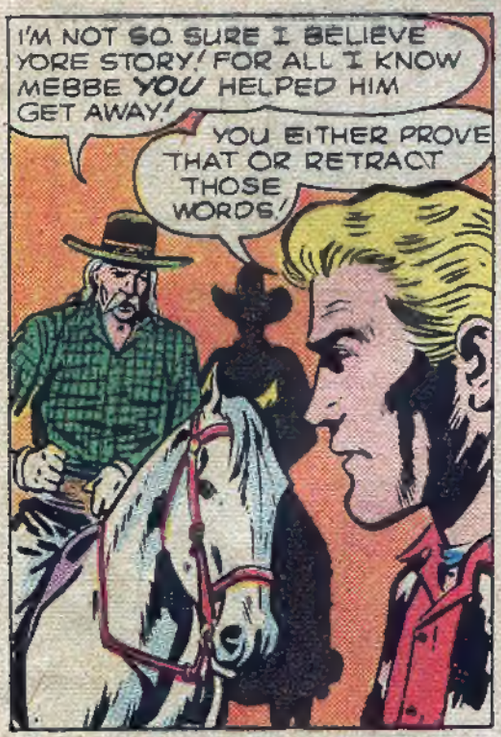
I SAID WE'D DO BETTER SEARCHIN' THESE HILLS FIRST! NOW HE'S GIVEN US THE SLIP!
DRESSEN, I'LL REMIND YOU THAT I'M THE OFFICIAL LAWMAN IN THIS PARTY!

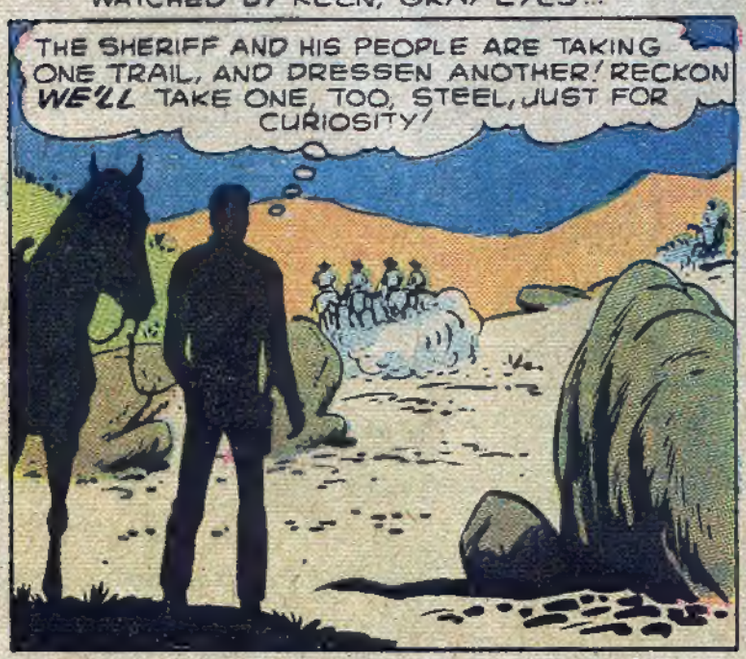
SHORTLY AFTERWARD, THE KID IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AND TOLD HIS STORY...


ROUGHLY, THAT'S ABOUT IT, SHERIFF! I'M ONLY SORRY I LET HIM GET AWAY... ESPECIALLY IF THE CHARGE WAS SERIOUS!
IT IS SERIOUS! THE CHARGE IS MURDER!


I'M NOT SO SURE I BELIEVE YORE STORY! FOR ALL I KNOW MEBBE YOU HELPED HIM GET AWAY!
YOU EITHER PROVE THAT OR RETRACT THOSE WORDS!

YOU'VE CAUSED A PACK OF TROUBLE EVER SINCE WE RODE OUT! I RECKON WE COULD DISPENSE WITH YORE SERVICES!
THAT SUITS ME FINE, SHERIFF!

HOOFBEATS CLATTERED NOISILY OVER LOOSE SHALE, AND THEIR DEPARTURE WAS CAREFULLY WATCHED BY KEEN, GRAY EYES...



BUT THE KID WASN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO WAS CURIOUS...

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CHARLES ATLAS, World's No. 1 Body Builder, says:

Don't Be Half A Man!

Let ME SHOW How I Can Make You a Real HE-MAN From Head to Toe — in Just 15 Minutes a Day!

Take a good honest look at yourself! Are you proud of your body — or are you satisfied to go through life being just "half the man" you could be? No matter how ashamed you are of your present physical condition — or how old or young you are — the "sleeping" muscles already present in your body can turn you into a real HE-MAN! Believe me, I know — because I was once a skinny, scrawny 97-pound half-alive weakling! People used to laugh at my build and make fun of me. I was ashamed to strip for sports or the beach . . . shy of girls . . . afraid of healthy competition.

WIN THIS VALUABLE TROPHY
Be the envy of your friends!

HOW I CHANGED FROM A "MOUSE" TO A MAN!

One day, I discovered a secret that changed me from a timid, frightened scarecrow into "The World's Most Perfectly Developed Man" — a "magic formula" that can help turn *you*, too, into a marvellous physical specimen . . . a real HE-MAN from head to toe . . . a man who STANDS OUT in any crowd! What's my secret? "DYNAMIC-TENSION" — the natural method! No theory. No gadgets or contraptions. You just do as I did. Simply take the "sleeping" muscles already present inside your own body — build them up — use them every day in walking, bending over, reaching, even sitting! Almost before you know it, you're covered with a brand-new suit of beautiful, rock-hard SOLID MUSCLE!

MY SECRET BUILDS MUSCLES FAST!

Just 15 minutes each day in the privacy of your room is all it takes to make your chest and shoulder muscles swell so big they almost split your coat seams . . . turn your fists into sledge-hammers . . . build mighty legs that never tire! Mail coupon today for my famous book showing how "Dynamic-Tension" can give *you* a Body by Atlas. Charles Atlas, Dept.6010 115 E. 23 St., New York, N. Y. 10010.

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BIG ARM MUSCLES? You'll see and feel your arm muscles BULGE out with super power and energy.

TIRELESS LEGS? I make your legs strong and powerful with the tireless drive of a long distance runner.

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BROAD SHOULDERS? "Dynamic-Tension" will broaden your shoulders. You'll see and feel RESULTS IN 7 DAYS!

MORE WEIGHT? You'll put on pounds in the right places. "Dynamic-Tension" rebuilds you inside and out.

...THEN MAIL THIS *NOW!*

HERE'S THE KIND OF BODY I WANT
- ☐ MORE MUSCLE —BIGGER CHEST
- ☐ BIG ARM MUSCLES
- ☐ BROAD BACK & SHOULDERS
- ☐ TIRELESS LEGS
- ☐ MORE WEIGHT
- ☐ MAGNETIC PERSONALITY

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CHARLES ATLAS ON TV

THE INSULT THAT MADE A MAN OUT OF 'MAC'

HEY! QUIT KICKING THAT SAND IN OUR FACES!
THAT MAN IS THE WORST NUISANCE ON THE BEACH
LISTEN HERE, I'D SMASH YOUR FACE··· ONLY YOU'RE SO SKINNY YOU MIGHT DRY UP AND BLOW AWAY.
THE BIG BULLY! I'LL GET EVEN SOME DAY
OH DON'T LET IT BOTHER YOU, LITTLE BOY!
DARN IT! I'M SICK AND TIRED OF BEING A SCARECROW! CHARLES ATLAS SAYS HE CAN GIVE ME A REAL BODY. ALL RIGHT! I'LL GAMBLE A STAMP AND GET HIS FREE BOOK!
BOY! IT DIDN'T TAKE ATLAS LONG TO DO THIS FOR ME! WHAT MUSCLES! THAT BULLY WON'T SHOVE ME AROUND AGAIN!
THERE'S THAT BIG STIFF AGAIN, SHOWING OFF IN FRONT OF GRACE AND THE CROWD. WELL IT'S MY TURN ... THIS TIME!
WHAM!-NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO DRY UP AND BLOW AWAY!
OH, MAC! YOU ARE A REAL MAN AFTER ALL!

TWO HOURS PASSED, AND THE KID PRESSED ON, HIS EVERY SENSE KEENLY ALERT, HIS TRAINED EYE SPOTTING THE FAINTEST CLUES...

HOOFPRINTS, STEEL! THEY'RE FAINT, BUT WE'RE GETTING WARMER ALL THE TIME!

AND SOON THE TRAIL BECAME EVEN WARMER..

THESE LEAVES HAVE BEEN DISTURBED, AND NOT LONG AGO! THEIR UNDERSIDES ARE STILL DAMP FROM THE GROUND! NOT MUCH FURTHER TO GO!

THAT'S FOR SURE! YOU'VE REACHED THE TRAIL'S END!

SLOWLY THE KID TURNED, AND ONCE AGAIN HE STARED INTO THE BLACK, GAPING BARRELS OF THE GLISTENING "PEACEMAKERS"...

FOR A WHILE BACK YONDER, I FIGURED I HAD YOU WRONG, BUT NOT ANY MORE! YOU'VE BEEN ON MY TRAIL TWO HOURS, STRANGER, AND I AIM TO KNOW WHY!

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE I DON'T LIKE BEING SLUGGED FROM BEHIND!

...OR MAYBE IT'S SOMETHING ELSE! LIKE HATING TO SEE A MAN RUN AWAY, WHEN HE SHOULD STAND UP AND FIGHT!

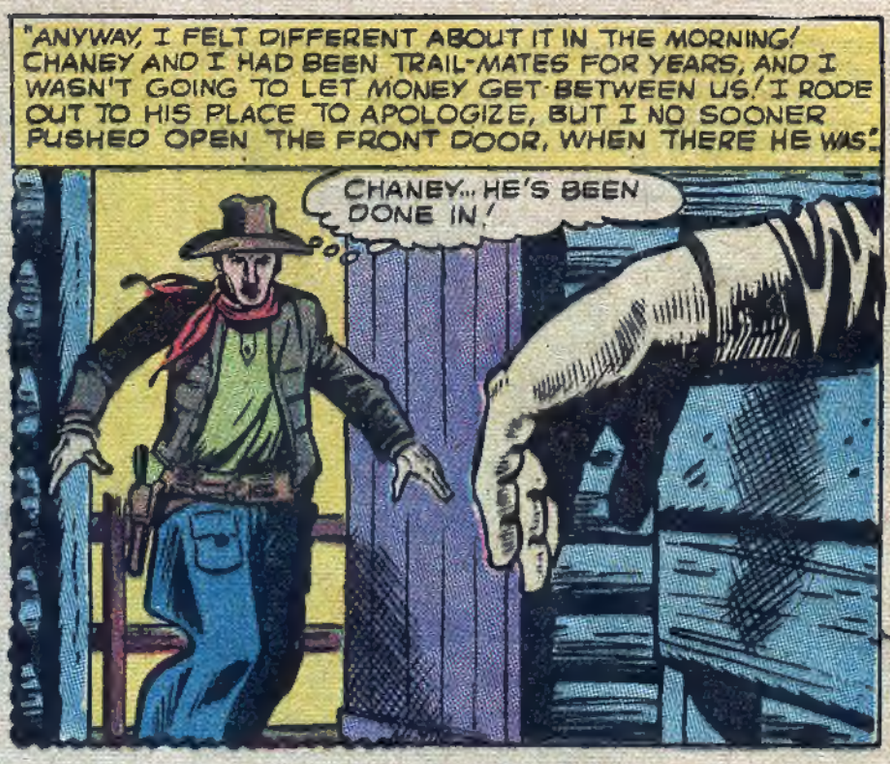
I DON'T HAFTA TAKE THAT...

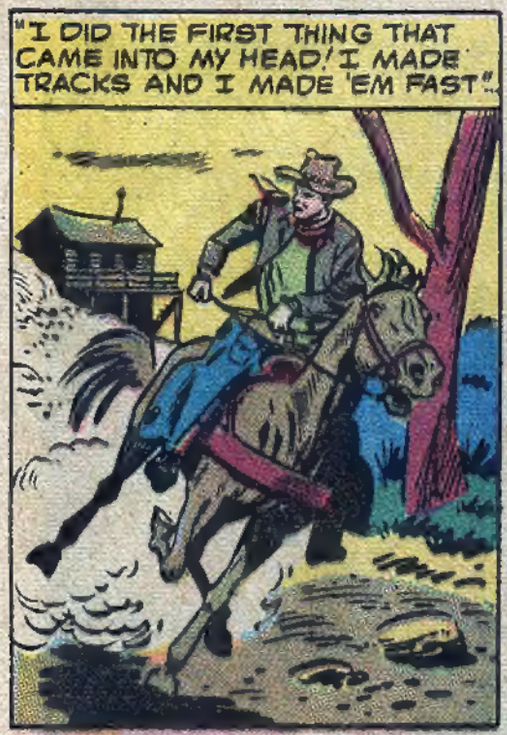
LIKE FLASHING PISTONS, THE KID'S HANDS SWEPT BACK TO THE LOW-SLUNG HOLSTERS, THEN PUMPED FORWARD...

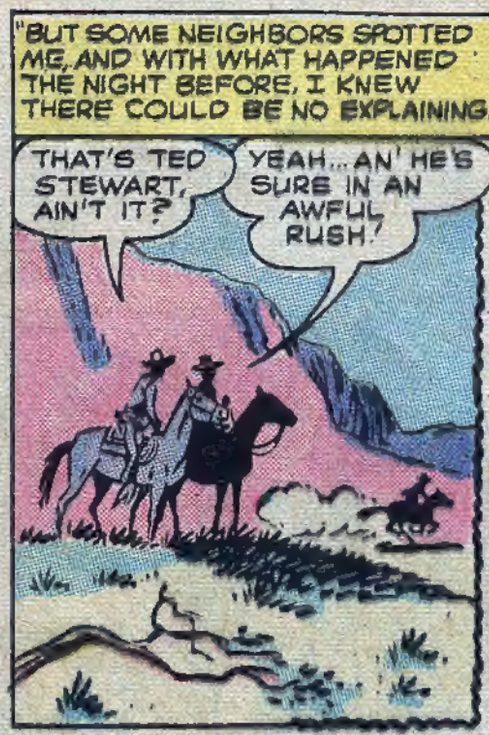
I'M NOT WASTING WORDS...THERE ISN'T TIME! SOME FOLKS ARE SAYING YOU KILLED A MAN! SOMEHOW I DON'T TAKE *YOU* FOR THAT TYPE OF MAN!

I'M NOT! I NEVER KILLED FRED CHANEY!

THE NIGHT BEFORE LAST, CHANEY AND I HAD WORDS TOGETHER! HE HIT A FAIR STRIKE A FEW WEEKS BACK, AND I ASKED HIM FOR A LOAN! HE TURNED ME DOWN COLD! I RECKON SOME NAME-CALLIN' FOLLOWED, AND THEY HAD TO SEPARATE US...

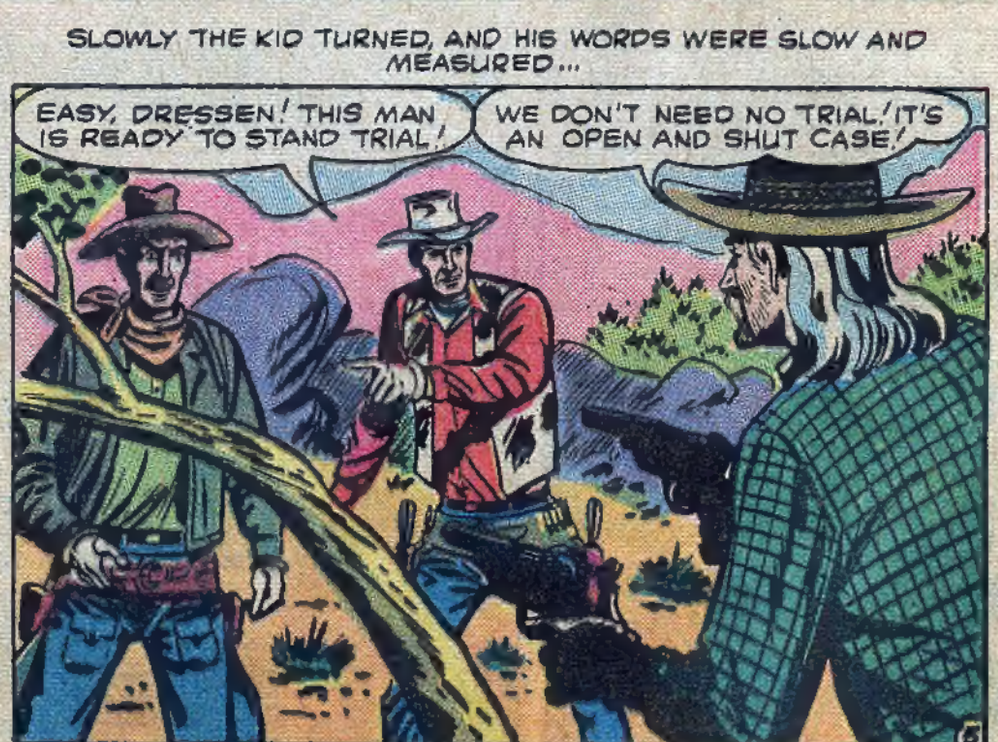

"ANYWAY, I FELT DIFFERENT ABOUT IT IN THE MORNING! CHANEY AND I HAD BEEN TRAIL-MATES FOR YEARS, AND I WASN'T GOING TO LET MONEY GET BETWEEN US! I RODE OUT TO HIS PLACE TO APOLOGIZE, BUT I NO SOONER PUSHED OPEN THE FRONT DOOR, WHEN THERE HE WAS!
CHANEY... HE'S BEEN DONE IN!


"I DID THE FIRST THING THAT CAME INTO MY HEAD! I MADE TRACKS AND I MADE 'EM FAST"..


"BUT SOME NEIGHBORS SPOTTED ME, AND WITH WHAT HAPPENED THE NIGHT BEFORE, I KNEW THERE COULD BE NO EXPLAINING"..
THAT'S TED STEWART, AIN'T IT?
YEAH... AN' HE'S SURE IN AN AWFUL RUSH!

I RECKON YOU'RE RIGHT! I NEVER SHOULD HAVE RUN! BY TELLING THE TRUTH, I COULD'VE STOOD A CHANCE!
WELL, IT'S NOT TOO LATE YET!

I RECKON IT IS TOO LATE!
HUH?


SLOWLY THE KID TURNED, AND HIS WORDS WERE SLOW AND MEASURED...
EASY, DRESSEN! THIS MAN IS READY TO STAND TRIAL!
WE DON'T NEED NO TRIAL! IT'S AN OPEN AND SHUT CASE!

THERE'S SOMETHING ODD HERE, DRESSEN! WHY ARE YOU AGAINST HIS STANDING TRIAL?
YOU'RE TOO NOSY, AN' YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR!
BUT BEFORE THE REVERBERATIONS BOUNCED OFF THE ECHOING HILLS, THE KID'S GUNS ROARED BACK...
I'M GOING OVER! HELP!
BY THE TIME THEY REACHED HIM, THE SHERIFF HAD JOINED UP...
HE'S KNOCKED OUT AND PLENTY BRUISED, BUT HE'LL LIVE!
BUT LOOK HERE, SHERIFF! THIS MONEY BELT, IT BELONGED TO CHANEY! YOU'LL FIND HIS NAME ON THE BACK!
I RECKON THIS EXPLAINS WHY DRESSEN DIDN'T WANT TED TO STAND TRIAL! HE KILLED CHANEY AND THEN ROBBED HIM! HE ALSO FIGURED TED WOULD BE BLAMED! HE WANTED TO SILENCE TED FOR GOOD, AND THEN THE CASE WOULD BE CLOSED AND OVER WITH!
THAT'S IT, ALL RIGHT!
I'M A FREE MAN, THANKS TO YOU!
I'M GLAD, TED, AND I RECKON YOU'VE LEARNED SOMETHING! A MAN IN THE RIGHT NEVER HAS TO RUN! SOMEHOW, SOME WAY, JUSTICE WILL BE WORKING ON HIS SIDE!
THE END

Any 14 of these

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☐ Mr.
☐ Miss
☐ Mrs. (Please print) First Name Initial Last Name

Address.....

City.....

State..... Zip.....

Do you have a telephone? (check one) ☐ YES . . ☐ NO

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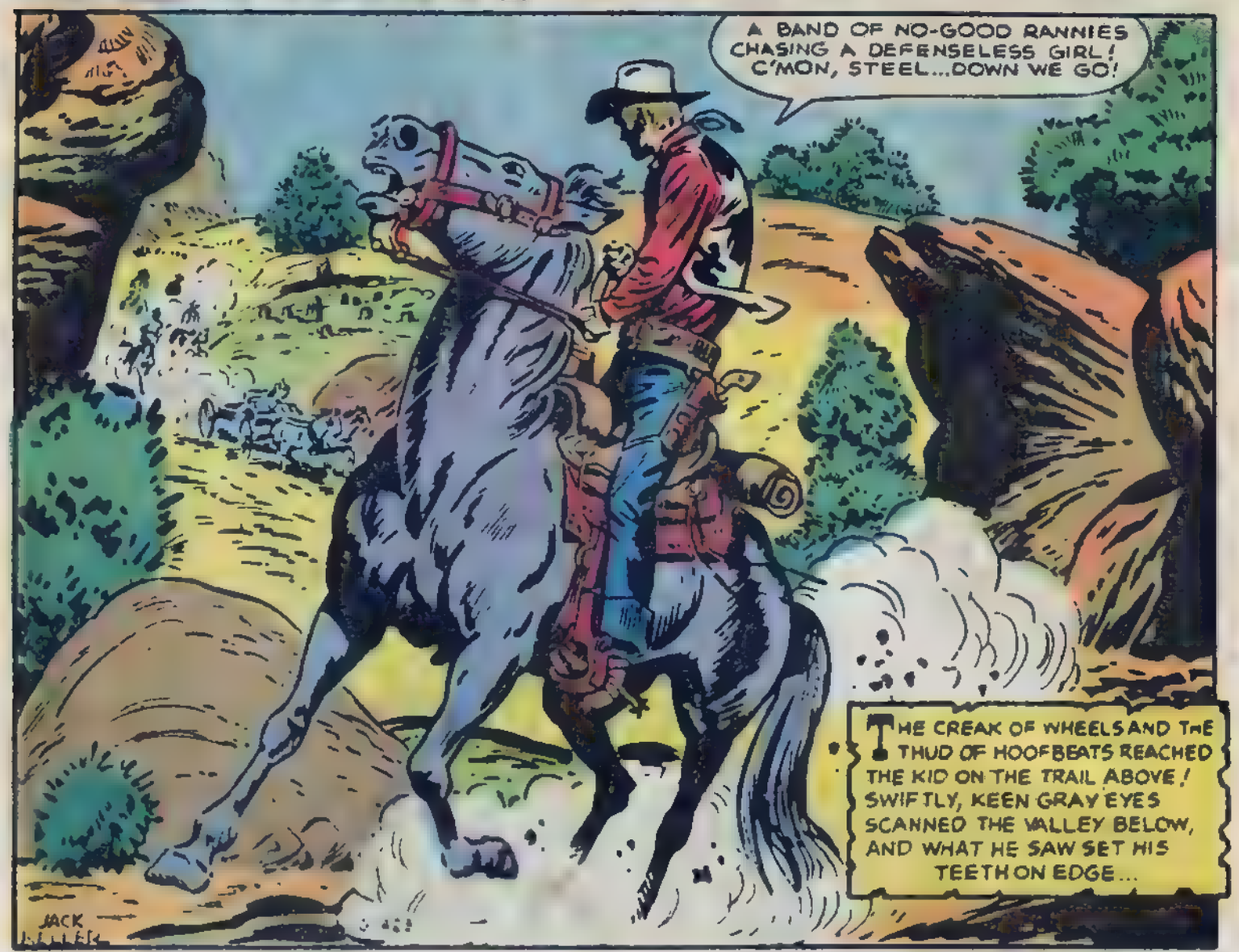
KID COLT OUTLAW in "GUN SMOKE!"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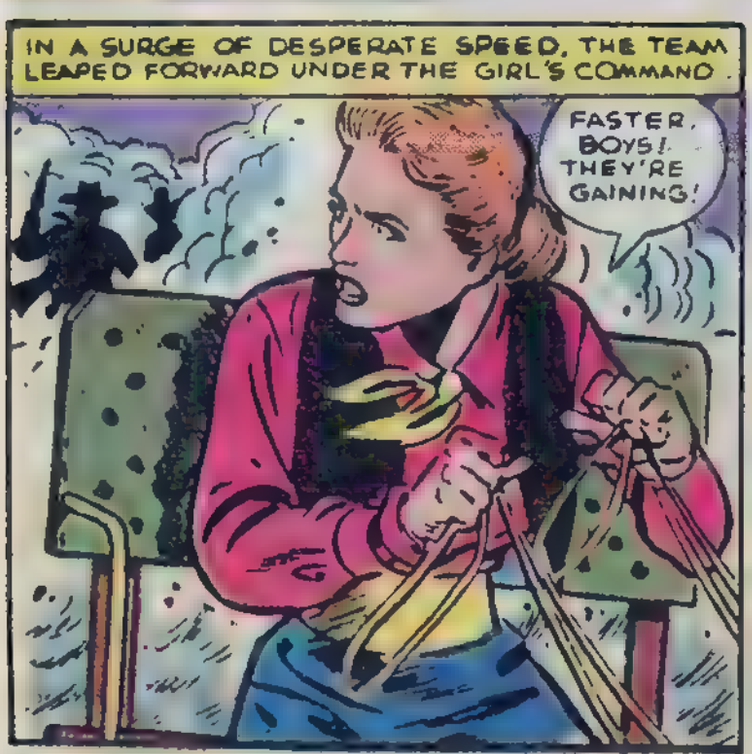
THE CREAK OF WHEELS AND THE THUD OF HOOFBEATS REACHED THE KID ON THE TRAIL ABOVE! SWIFTLY, KEEN GRAY EYES SCANNED THE VALLEY BELOW, AND WHAT HE SAW SET HIS TEETH ON EDGE...
JACK



BUT A SECOND LATER...
LOOK A THAR, MALLON! SOMEONE'S JOININ' OUR PARTY!
HE WON'T BE WITH US LONG! START SHOOTIN' THE SECOND HE GETS INTO RANGE!

THEY SLAPPED LEATHER, BUT THE KID WAS WAY AHEAD! TRUSTY COLTS LEAPED INTO ACTION...
FOR ONE STUNNED MOMENT, THEY HESITATED, THEN RACED AWAY IN HEADLONG FLIGHT...
I'M ANNE MARSHALL, AND I'M VERY GRATEFUL! IT WAS A MIRACLE YOUR BEING HERE!
I'M GLAD I WAS PASSING THROUGH, MISS MARSHALL!
I RECKON IT'S NONE OF MY AFFAIR, AND I DON'T AIM TO MEDDLE, BUT IF YOU'RE IN TROUBLE AND NEED HELP...
I AM IN TROUBLE AND I DO NEED HELP!
IT'S ABOUT MY UNCLE OLIVER MARSHALL! HE'S A GOLD PROSPECTOR! COME UP TO THE HOUSE! I CAN EXPLAIN IT MUCH BETTER THERE!
SHORTLY AFTERWARD IN THE MARSHALL HOUSE...
I'VE SEEN PLENTY OF GOLD SAMPLINGS, BUT THIS ORE TOPS THEM ALL! I'D SAY YOUR UNCLE OLIVER HAS STRUCK IT RICH!
NOT QUITE, MR. COLT, BUT HE'S CLOSER THAN HE EVER WAS!
HE'S OUT IN THE HILLS RIGHT NOW, TRYING TO TRACK DOWN THE MOTHER LODE, BUT THOSE VULTURES YOU CHASED OFF ARE ONTO HIS GOOD FORTUNE!
BUT WHY WERE THEY CHASING YOU?
BECAUSE I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS WHERE UNCLE OLIVER IS! I WAS BRINGING HIM SOME SUPPLIES IN THE BUCKBOARD WHEN I SPOTTED THEM TRAILING ME!
THEN FOR THE TIME BEING, YOUR UNCLE OLIVER IS SAFE!
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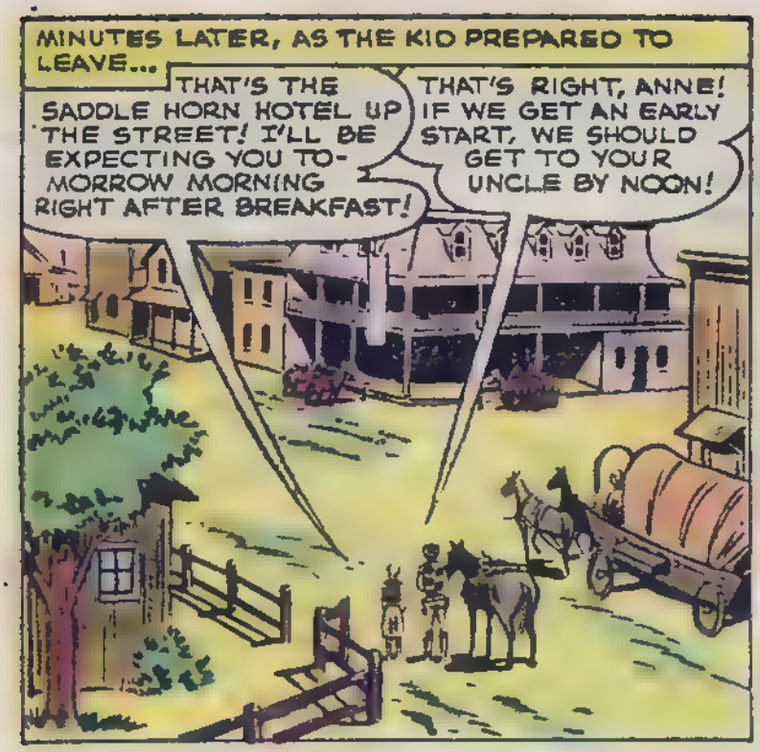
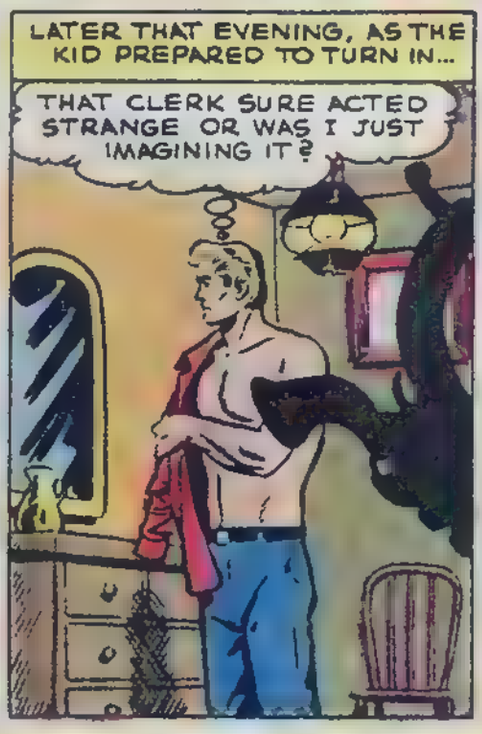
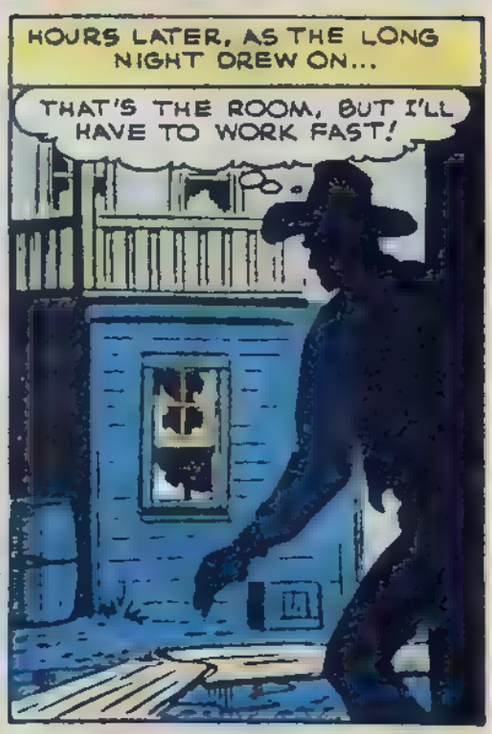
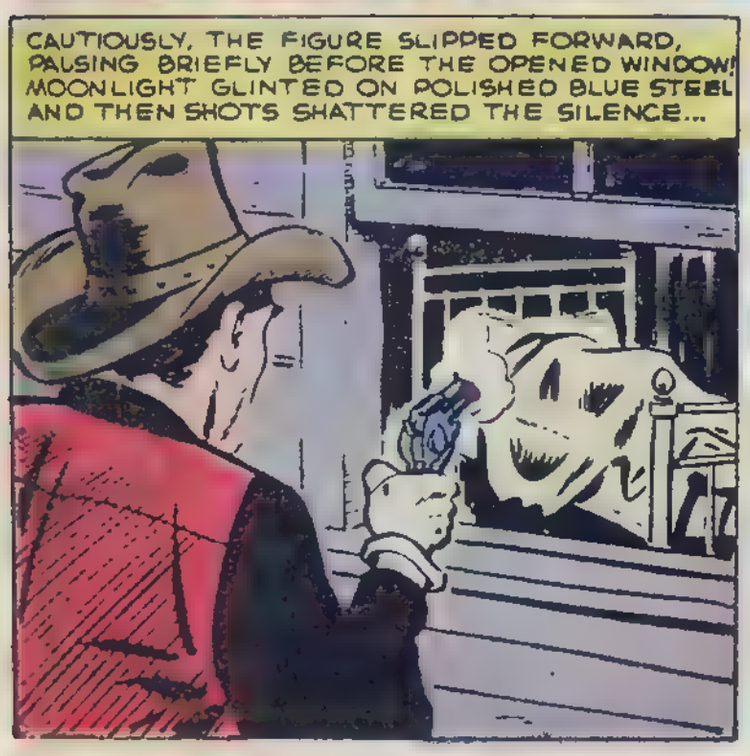

MINUTES LATER, AS THE KID PREPARED TO LEAVE...
THAT'S THE SADDLE HORN HOTEL UP THE STREET! I'LL BE EXPECTING YOU TOMORROW MORNING RIGHT AFTER BREAKFAST!
THAT'S RIGHT, ANNE! IF WE GET AN EARLY START, WE SHOULD GET TO YOUR UNCLE BY NOON!

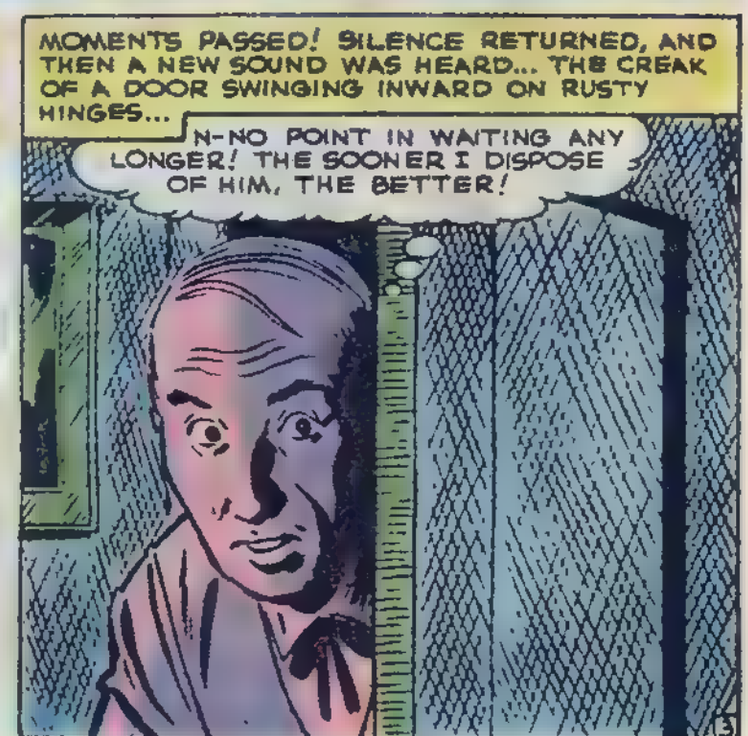
MEANWHILE, FROM A VANTAGE POINT UP THE STREET...
HERE HE COMES, HEADED RIGHT FER THE HOTEL!
GOOD! GIT INSIDE AN' TELL THE CLERK WHAT I TOLD YUH!

R-ROOM NINE, SIR! THAT'S ON THE GROUND FLOOR TO THE REAR! A REAL QUIET ROOM, SIR, AND VERY COMFORTABLE!
THANKS! THAT'S JUST WHAT I WANT!






CAUTIOUSLY, THE FIGURE SLIPPED FORWARD, PAUSING BRIEFLY BEFORE THE OPENED WINDOW! MOONLIGHT GLINTED ON POLISHED BLUE STEEL AND THEN SHOTS SHATTERED THE SILENCE...


MOMENTS PASSED! SILENCE RETURNED, AND THEN A NEW SOUND WAS HEARD... THE CREAK OF A DOOR SWINGING INWARD ON RUSTY HINGES...
N-NO POINT IN WAITING ANY LONGER! THE SOONER I DISPOSE OF HIM, THE BETTER!

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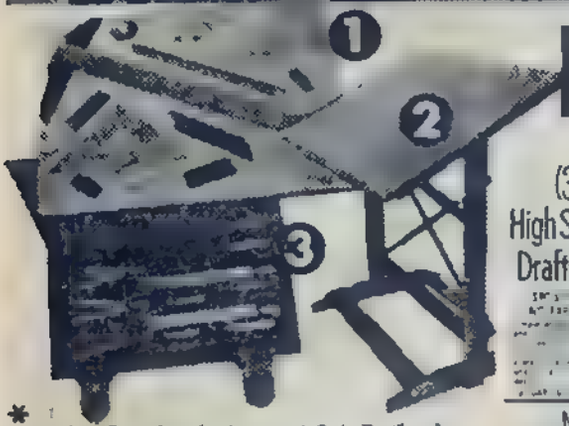

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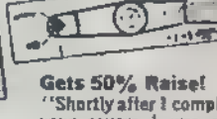

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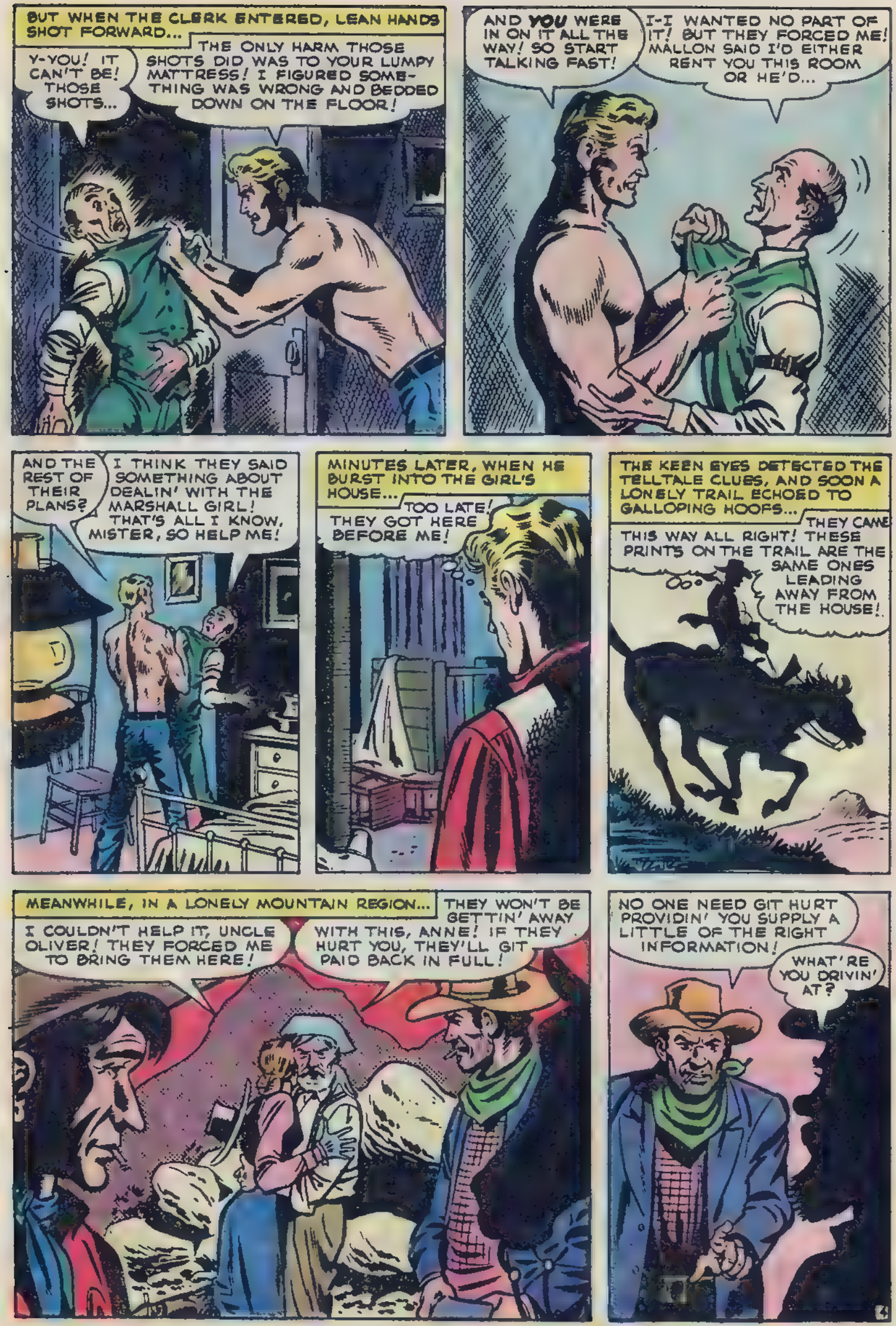
BUT WHEN THE CLERK ENTERED, LEAN HANDS SHOT FORWARD...
Y-YOU! IT CAN'T BE! THOSE SHOTS...
THE ONLY HARM THOSE SHOTS DID WAS TO YOUR LUMPY MATTRESS! I FIGURED SOMETHING WAS WRONG AND BEDDED DOWN ON THE FLOOR!
AND YOU WERE IN ON IT ALL THE WAY! SO START TALKING FAST!
I-I WANTED NO PART OF IT! BUT THEY FORCED ME! MALLON SAID I'D EITHER RENT YOU THIS ROOM OR HE'D...
AND THE REST OF THEIR PLANS?
I THINK THEY SAID SOMETHING ABOUT DEALIN' WITH THE MARSHALL GIRL! THAT'S ALL I KNOW, MISTER, SO HELP ME!
MINUTES LATER, WHEN HE BURST INTO THE GIRL'S HOUSE...
TOO LATE! THEY GOT HERE BEFORE ME!
THE KEEN EYES DETECTED THE TELLTALE CLUES, AND SOON A LONELY TRAIL ECHOED TO GALLOPING HOOFS...
THEY CAME THIS WAY ALL RIGHT! THESE PRINTS ON THE TRAIL ARE THE SAME ONES LEADING AWAY FROM THE HOUSE!
MEANWHILE, IN A LONELY MOUNTAIN REGION...
I COULDN'T HELP IT, UNCLE OLIVER! THEY FORCED ME TO BRING THEM HERE!
THEY WON'T BE GETTIN' AWAY WITH THIS, ANNE! IF THEY HURT YOU, THEY'LL GIT PAID BACK IN FULL!
NO ONE NEED GIT HURT PROVIDIN' YOU SUPPLY A LITTLE OF THE RIGHT INFORMATION!
WHAT'RE YOU DRIVIN' AT?
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TELL US WHERE YORE STRIKE IS, AN' THAR WON'T BE ANY TROUBLE!
TELL YOU WHERE IT IS? I WISH I COULD!
THAT'S THE TROUBLE WITH YOU BUZZARDS! YOU THINK GOLD JUST LAYS AROUND WAITIN' TUH BE FOUND! BUT IT TAKES TIME, HARD WORK AND PLENTY OF LUCK!
I FOUND ME SOME SAMPLES IN THESE HILLS BUT THE LODE CAN BE ANYWHERE! IT CAN BE OVER THE NEXT RISE, OR A MILE DOWN ...TAKE YORE PICK!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S GONNA DO THE PICKIN'!
YOU'RE NOT FOOLIN' ANYONE! WE FOUND TH S DYNAMITE IN YORE MULE PACK, SO I FIGGER YOU WERE GETTIN' READY TUH BLAST/ PICK THE PLACE, AN' YUH BETTER BE RIGHT!
DYNAMITE
SO THERE YOU ARE!
IT'S HIM!
DON'T JEST STAND THAR, YUH FOOL! GIT 'IM!
ONCE AGAIN MANY HANDS MOVED, BUT LIKE A STRIKING COUGAR, THE KID LEAPED...
UNMINDFUL OF THE ODDS, HE PRESSED FORWARD, FORCING THEM BACK LIKE LEAVES BEFORE THE WIND...
COME BACK! HOLD YORE GROUND!

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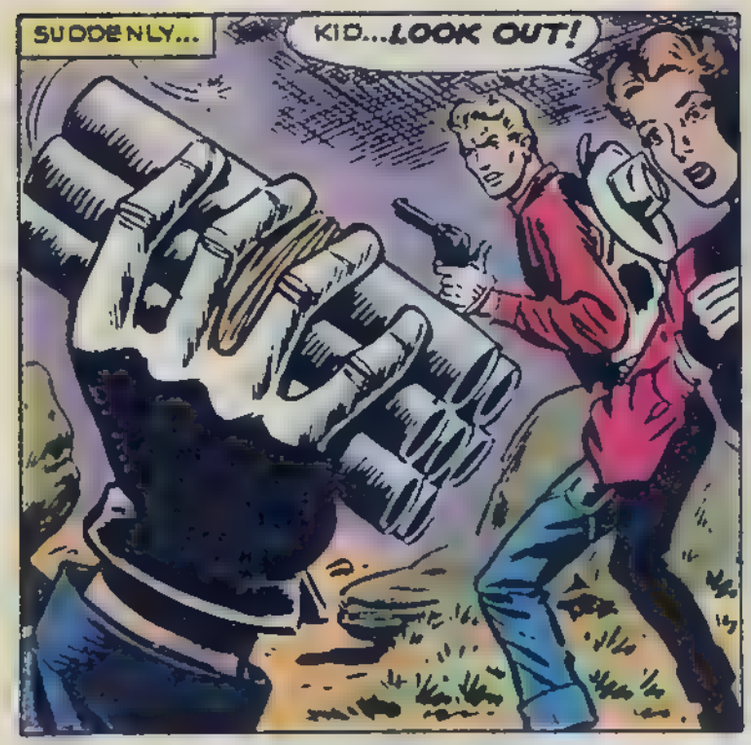
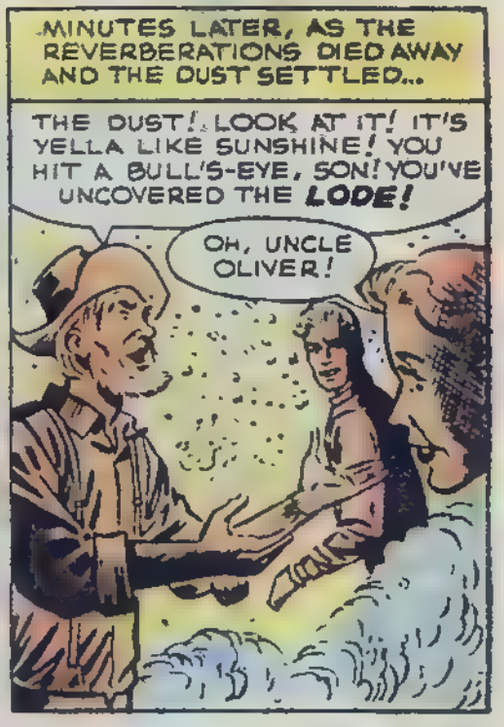
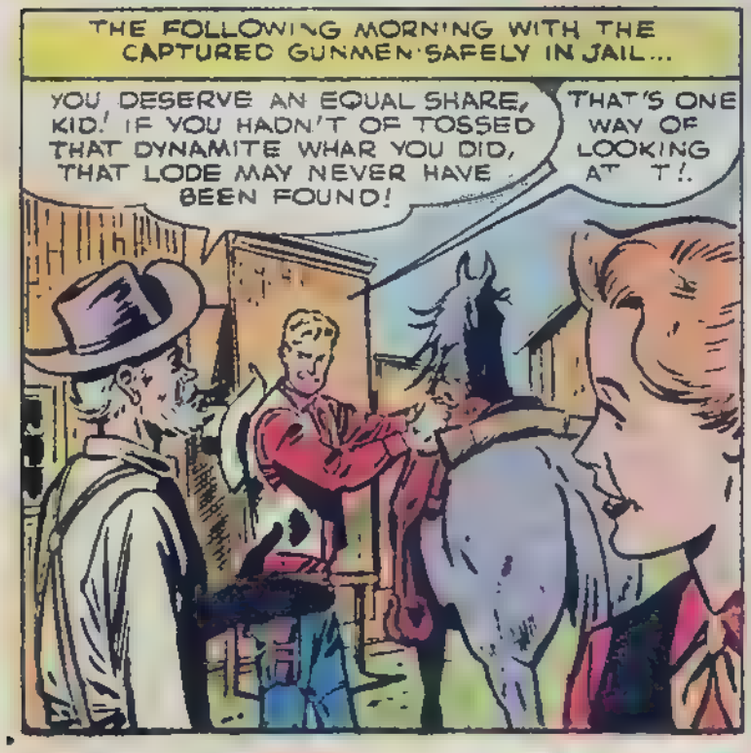
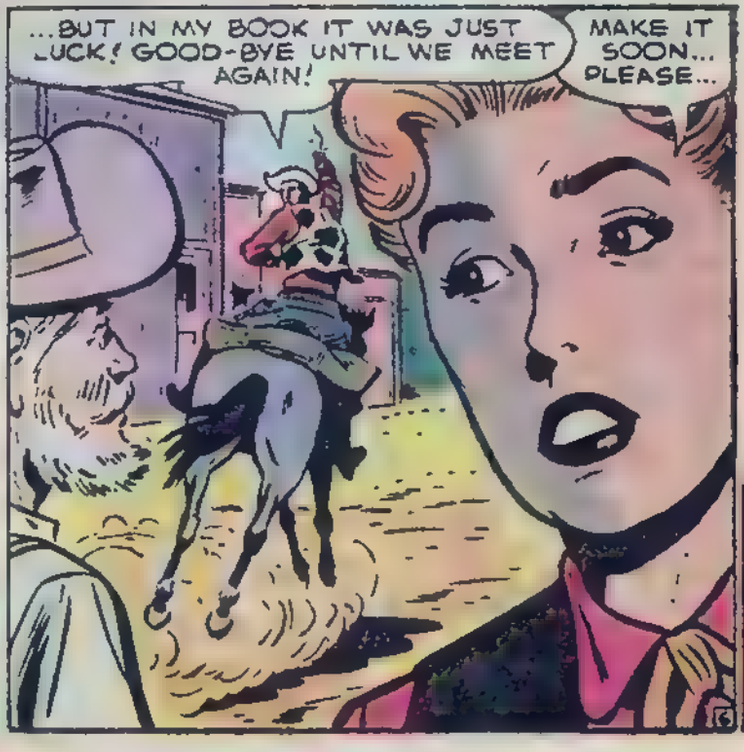

SUDDENLY...
KID...LOOK OUT!

I'LL BLAST YUH FROM HERE!


MINUTES LATER, AS THE REVERBERATIONS DIED AWAY AND THE DUST SETTLED...
THE DUST! LOOK AT IT! IT'S YELLA LIKE SUNSHINE! YOU HIT A BULL'S-EYE, SON! YOU'VE UNCOVERED THE LODE!
OH, UNCLE OLIVER!


THE FOLLOWING MORNING WITH THE CAPTURED GUNMEN SAFELY IN JAIL...
YOU DESERVE AN EQUAL SHARE, KID! IF YOU HADN'T OF TOSSED THAT DYNAMITE WHAR YOU DID, THAT LODE MAY NEVER HAVE BEEN FOUND!
THAT'S ONE WAY OF LOOKING AT T!.


...BUT IN MY BOOK IT WAS JUST LUCK! GOOD-BYE UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN!
MAKE IT SOON... PLEASE...

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THE DESPERATE MAN!

GOT TO GET SOME GRUB... SOME MONEY... A STAKE... ANYTHING... BEFORE I STARVE OR FREEZE IN THIS COLD! I CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS MUCH LONGER... JUST DRIFTING!
G889
DOUG WILDEY

TAKE THE FIRST DEFINITION OF THE WORD "DESPERATE"... "RECKLESS BECAUSE OF DESPAIR"... THAT COULD BE AN APT DESCRIPTION OF A MAN CALLED LOGAN! ANOTHER DESCRIPTION FOR HIM WOULD BE...DRIFTER...

YEARS OF THIS...WORKIN' ONE SPREAD AFTER ANOTHER ...PROSPECTIN'...AND WHAT'VE I GOT TO SHOW FOR IT ALL? NOTHIN' BUT BEIN' BROKE AND HUNGRY!

WHAT COULD HE DO? WORK? HE HAD DONE THAT AND GOT NO PLACE! BESIDES, THIS WAS THE DEAD OF A MONTANA WINTER AND JOBS WERE FEW! THIS WAS THE TIME OF YEAR WHEN OTHER MEN RELAXED WITH THE MONEY THEY HAD MADE DURING THE REST OF THE YEAR! BUT NOT LOGAN! IF HE RELAXED HE WOULD FREEZE TO DEATH...OR STARVE!

DESPERATION CAN DRIVE A MAN BEYOND THE LIMITS OF THE ENDURANCE OF FLESH AND SPIRIT! THAT'S WHAT IT DID TO LOGAN AS HE FOUGHT THE CHILL BLASTS AND KEPT GOING ONWARD, HIS MIND FIXED ON ONE PURPOSE... SALVATION THROUGH ANY MEANS! AND THEN...

STAGECOACH! SNOWBOUND!

THIS IS 'THE' BREAK, AMIGO! THEY CAN'T HEAR ME OR SEE ME BECAUSE OF THIS STORM! I COULD SNEAK UP ON 'EM! NEVER DID ANYTHING LIKE THIS BEFORE, BUT I GOT TO NOW! THERE'S MONEY THERE, AMIGO! ALL I GOTTA DO IS TAKE IT!

"SHOWING RECKLESSNESS CAUSED BY DESPAIR!" THAT'S THE SECOND DEFINITION...AND LOGAN FOLLOWED TRUE TO FORM...A MAN WHO HAD NEVER DONE A CROOKED THING IN HIS LIFE, NOW ADVANCING TO THE STAGE, HIS FROZEN HAND GRASPING THE COLD METAL OF A SIX-SHOOTER!

NOT A FIGURE STIRRED TO NOTICE HIM! HIS HEART POUNDED HEAVILY, BOTH IN EXCITEMENT AT THE STRANGENESS OF WHAT HE WAS TO DO, AND THE THOUGHT OF THE MONEY THAT WOULD SOON BE HIS!

ALL HE HAD TO DO NOW WAS SAY, "RAISE 'EM!" THERE WAS NOTHING TO RESIST HIM! AND THEN HIS EYES FELL UPON ONE OF THE FIGURES, A SMALL ONE, HUDDLED CLOSE TO A LARGER FORM! AND A PAIR OF EYES, WIDE IN FEAR AND WONDER GAZED BACK INTO HIS!

WE SAID WE'D LOOK INTO THE SOUL OF LOGAN! SEE THE MIXED EMOTIONS, THE DESPERATE NEED, THE PROMISES HE MADE TO HIMSELF! NOW SEE THE FEELING HE GOT WHEN HE LOOKED INTO THOSE YOUNG EYES! "HE'S AFRAID OF ME," THOUGHT LOGAN! "ALL HIS LIFE, THAT BOY'LL HATE ME AND REMEMBER ME AS THE MAN WHO HELD UP AND ROBBED HIS FOLKS!"

SLOWLY, THE GUN WAS RETURNED TO THE HOLSTER! SLOWER STILL, THE GRIM LOOK ON LOGAN'S FACE WAS REPLACED BY THE TWIST OF A BITTER SMILE! AND HIS ONLY REWARD WAS SEEING THE FEAR VANISH FROM THE BOY'S FACE AND THE HAPPINESS THAT WAS REFLECTED THERE NOW AS HE SAID...

LOOKS LIKE YOU FOLKS ARE IN TROUBLE! ANYTHING I CAN DO TO HELP?

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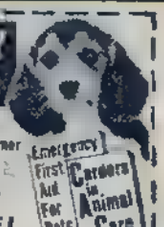

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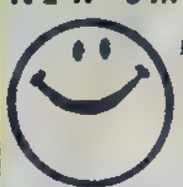

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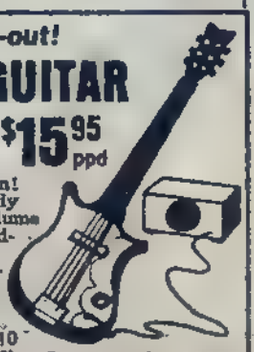

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IT WAS NOTHIN' AT ALL, MA'AM!

GEE! WHAT A MAN, HUH, MAMA?

CUSTOM FORMED LOGAN'S WORDS... THE NATURAL POLITENESS OF A MAN OF THE WEST TO ANY WOMAN! BUT DEEP DOWN INSIDE, HE SEETHED IN FRUSTRATION AT HIS LOST CHANCE FOR LOOT! AND HE BARELY HEARD THE WORDS OF THE WOMAN AS HE DEPARTED...

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THANKS, MA'AM!

JOB! WHO WANTS A JOB? I NEED SOMETHING BIG!

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BUT THERE WAS NO GAMBLING FOR LOGAN! HE WAS BROKE! AND THERE WAS NO TALK OR LAUGHTER! HE WAS A STRANGER! THERE WAS NOTHING BUT THE WARMTH OF THE SALOON, AND THE FUTILITY THAT RACED THROUGH HIS MIND! THEN, BY SHEER CHANCE, HE OVERHEARD THE TALK OF OTHER DESPERATE MEN...

WE NEED ONE MORE MAN! THEN WE'LL BE SET TO BREAK INTO THE BANK! IT'LL MEAN PLENTY OF GOLD FOR ALL OF US!

PARDON, GENTS! BUT I'M YOUR MAN! I'M LOOKING FOR SOMETHING ALONG THAT LINE!

WHY YUH COYOTE! YUH WAS LISTENIN'!

EASY, KEN! HE'S ALL RIGHT!

HOW D'YUH KNOW, MULE?

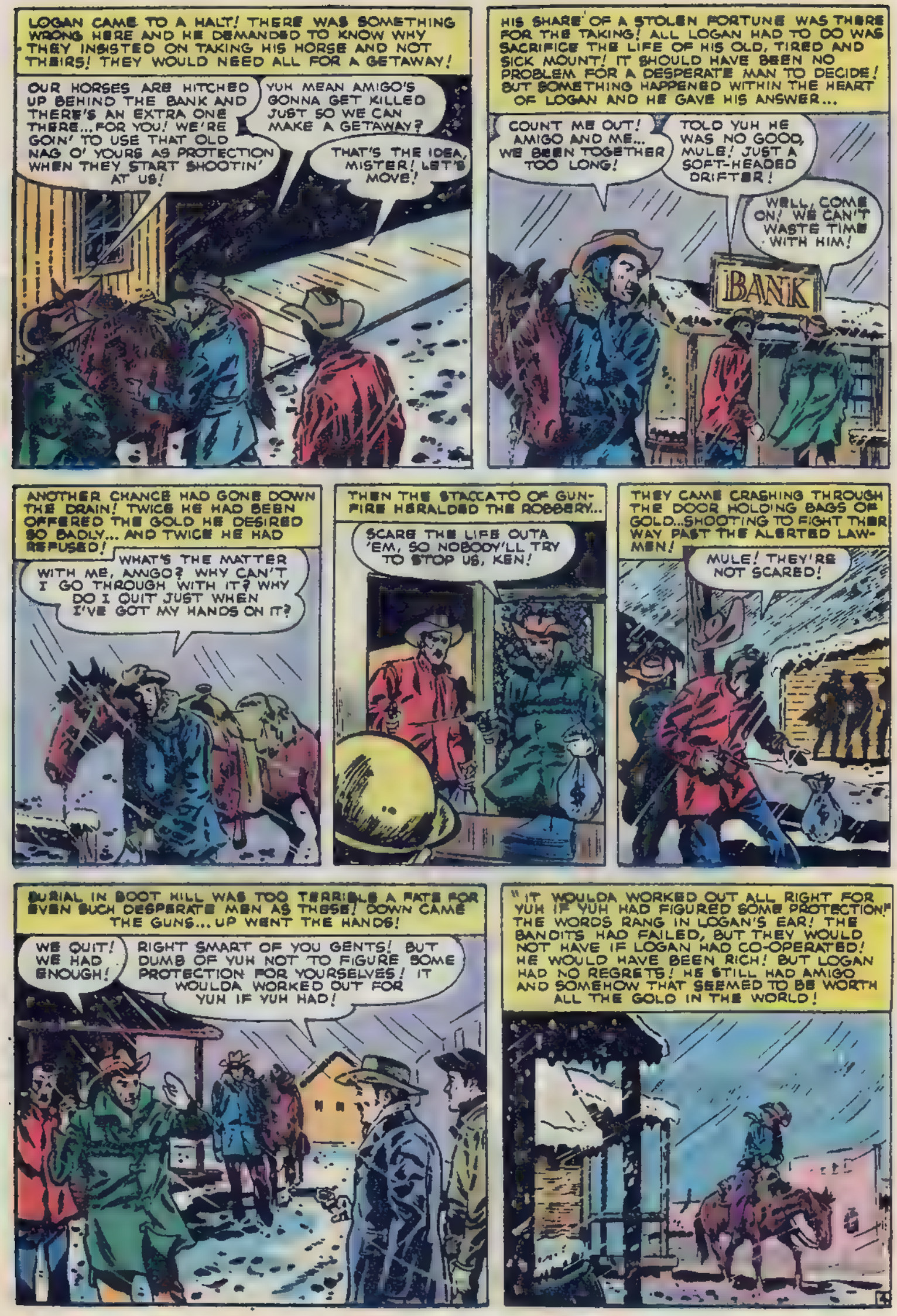
HE'S GOT THE LOOK ON HIS FACE...THE LOOK OF A DESPERATE MAN!

SO THE BRAND SHOWED THROUGH! HE WAS A MAN MARKED AS LAWLESS AND RECOGNIZED AS SUCH BY HIS OWN KIND! TERMS WERE MADE AND THE TWO SET OUT TOWARD THE BANK...

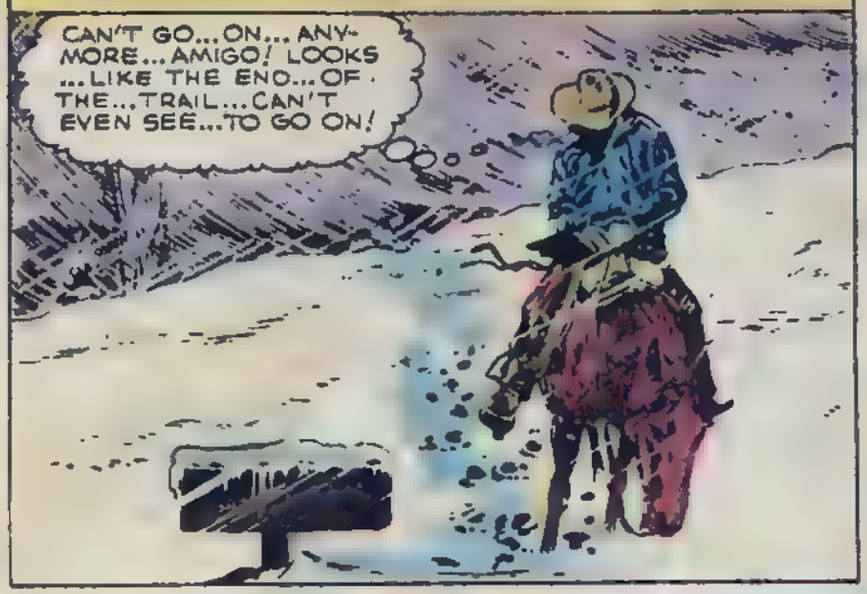
GET YOUR HOSS! BRING HIM WITH US!

SURE, BUT WHERE'S YOUR HOSSES?

JUST BRING YOURS! IT'LL DO FINE!

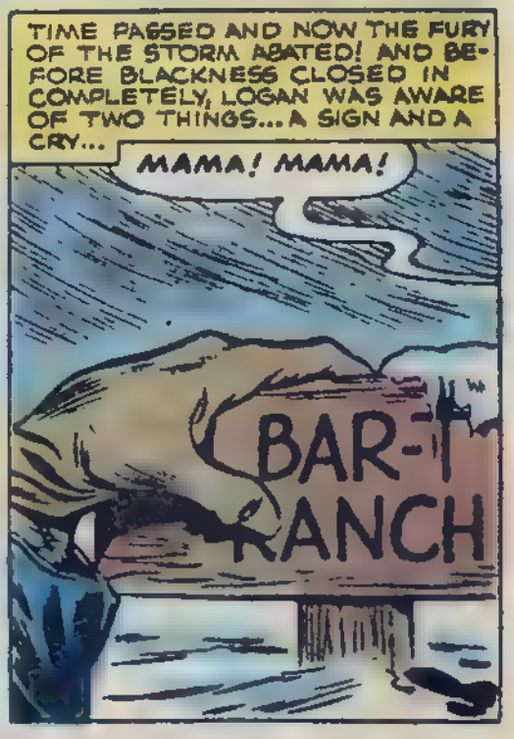

LOGAN CAME TO A HALT! THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG HERE AND HE DEMANDED TO KNOW WHY THEY INSISTED ON TAKING HIS HORSE AND NOT THEIRS! THEY WOULD NEED ALL FOR A GETAWAY!
OUR HORSES ARE HITCHED UP BEHIND THE BANK AND THERE'S AN EXTRA ONE THERE...FOR YOU! WE'RE GOIN' TO USE THAT OLD NAG O' YOURS AS PROTECTION WHEN THEY START SHOOTIN' AT US!
YUH MEAN AMIGO'S GONNA GET KILLED JUST SO WE CAN MAKE A GETAWAY?
THAT'S THE IDEA, MISTER! LET'S MOVE!
HIS SHARE OF A STOLEN FORTUNE WAS THERE FOR THE TAKING! ALL LOGAN HAD TO DO WAS SACRIFICE THE LIFE OF HIS OLD, TIRED AND SICK MOUNT! IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN NO PROBLEM FOR A DESPERATE MAN TO DECIDE! BUT SOMETHING HAPPENED WITHIN THE HEART OF LOGAN AND HE GAVE HIS ANSWER...
COUNT ME OUT! AMIGO AND ME... WE BEEN TOGETHER TOO LONG!
TOLD YUH HE WAS NO GOOD, MULE! JUST A SOFT-HEADED DRIFTER!
WELL, COME ON! WE CAN'T WASTE TIME WITH HIM!
BANK
ANOTHER CHANCE HAD GONE DOWN THE DRAIN! TWICE HE HAD BEEN OFFERED THE GOLD HE DESIRED SO BADLY... AND TWICE HE HAD REFUSED!
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME, AMIGO? WHY CAN'T I GO THROUGH WITH IT? WHY DO I QUIT JUST WHEN I'VE GOT MY HANDS ON IT?
THEN THE STACCATO OF GUN-FIRE HERALDED THE ROBBERY...
SCARE THE LIFE OUTA 'EM, SO NOBODY'LL TRY TO STOP US, KEN!
THEY CAME CRASHING THROUGH THE DOOR HOLDING BAGS OF GOLD...SHOOTING TO FIGHT THEIR WAY PAST THE ALERTED LAW-MEN!
MULE! THEY'RE NOT SCARED!
BURIAL IN BOOT HILL WAS TOO TERRIBLE A FATE FOR EVEN SUCH DESPERATE MEN AS THESE! DOWN CAME THE GUNS... UP WENT THE HANDS!
WE QUIT! WE HAD ENOUGH!
RIGHT SMART OF YOU GENTS! BUT DUMB OF YUH NOT TO FIGURE SOME PROTECTION FOR YOURSELVES! IT WOULDA WORKED OUT FOR YUH IF YUH HAD!
"IT WOULDA WORKED OUT ALL RIGHT FOR YUH IF YUH HAD FIGURED SOME PROTECTION!" THE WORDS RANG IN LOGAN'S EAR! THE BANDITS HAD FAILED, BUT THEY WOULD NOT HAVE IF LOGAN HAD CO-OPERATED! HE WOULD HAVE BEEN RICH! BUT LOGAN HAD NO REGRETS! HE STILL HAD AMIGO AND SOMEHOW THAT SEEMED TO BE WORTH ALL THE GOLD IN THE WORLD!

DEFINITION NUMBER 4! "HOPELESS!" TIME NOW FOR THE LONG HUNGER, THE UTTER WEARINESS AND THE DRIVING FURY OF THE BITTER COLD TO TAKE THEIR TOLL! TIME NOW FOR EVEN A DESPERATE MAN TO REACH THE END OF DESPERATION...AND THE END OF EVERYTHING ..

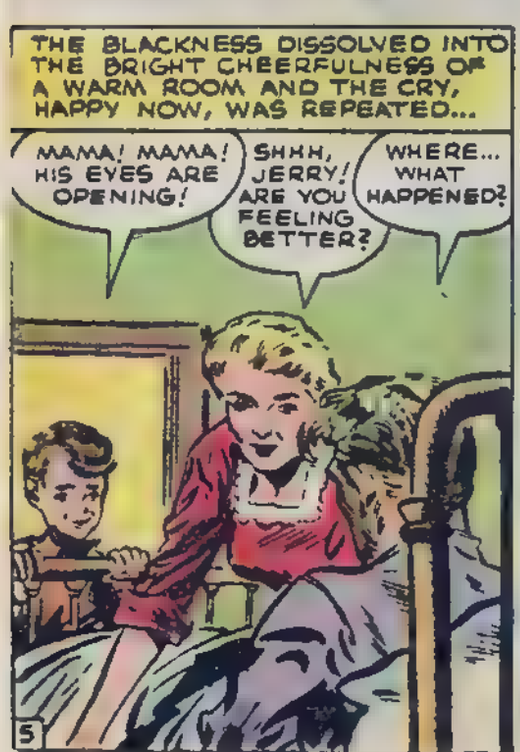


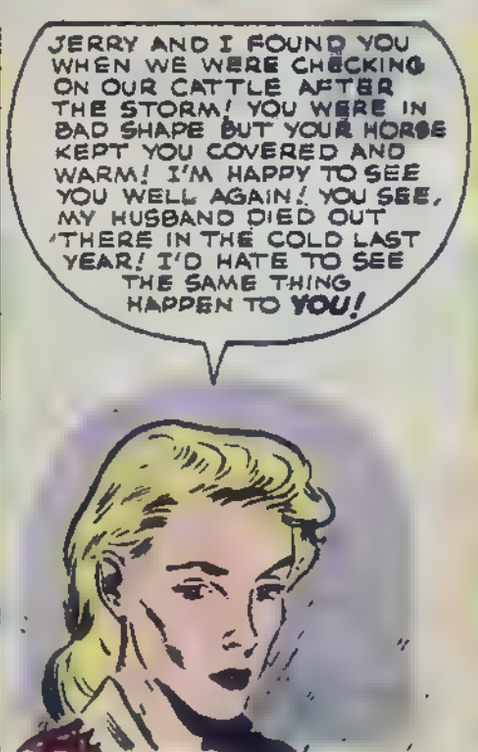
THE FIGURE SLUMPS STILL FURTHER IN THE SADDLE! THE WIND CUT AND LASHED! THERE WAS NO RESISTANCE! LOGAN'S EYES CLOSED WEARILY! HE SIGHED AND THEN FELL SLOWLY INTO THE SOFT SNOW.

TIME PASSED AND NOW THE FURY OF THE STORM ABATED! AND BEFORE BLACKNESS CLOSED IN COMPLETELY, LOGAN WAS AWARE OF TWO THINGS...A SIGN AND A CRY...



THE BLACKNESS DISSOLVED INTO THE BRIGHT CHEERFULNESS OF A WARM ROOM AND THE CRY, HAPPY NOW, WAS REPEATED...




JERRY AND I FOUND YOU WHEN WE WERE CHECKING ON OUR CATTLE AFTER THE STORM! YOU WERE IN BAD SHAPE BUT YOUR HORSE KEPT YOU COVERED AND WARM! I'M HAPPY TO SEE YOU WELL AGAIN! YOU SEE, MY HUSBAND DIED OUT THERE IN THE COLD LAST YEAR! I'D HATE TO SEE THE SAME THING HAPPEN TO YOU!

AND THE PRESURE OF HER HAND ON HIS TOLD HIM MORE THAN WORDS COULD SAY THAT FROM NOW ON, *THIS* WAS HIS HOME... AND THAT THE TIME FOR DESPERATION WAS *PAST!*

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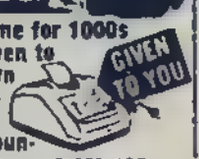

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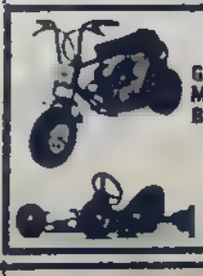

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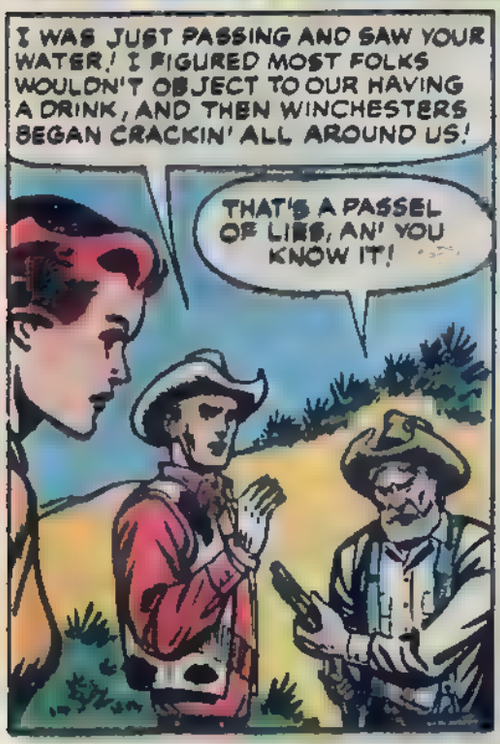
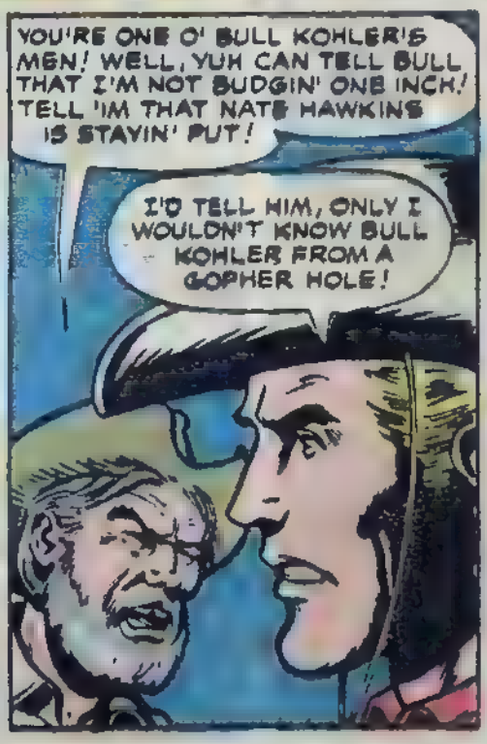
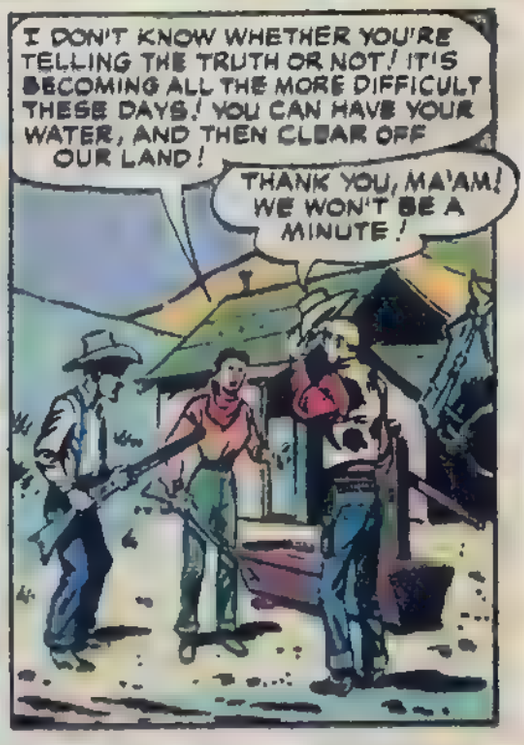
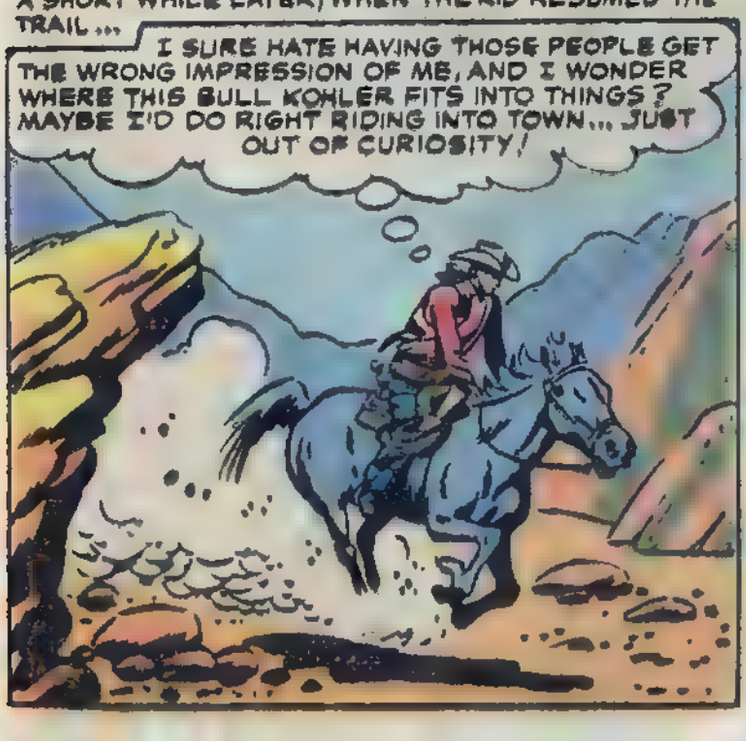

I WAS JUST PASSING AND SAW YOUR WATER! I FIGURED MOST FOLKS WOULDN'T OBJECT TO OUR HAVING A DRINK, AND THEN WINCHESTERS BEGAN CRACKIN' ALL AROUND US!
THAT'S A PASSEL OF LIES, AN' YOU KNOW IT!

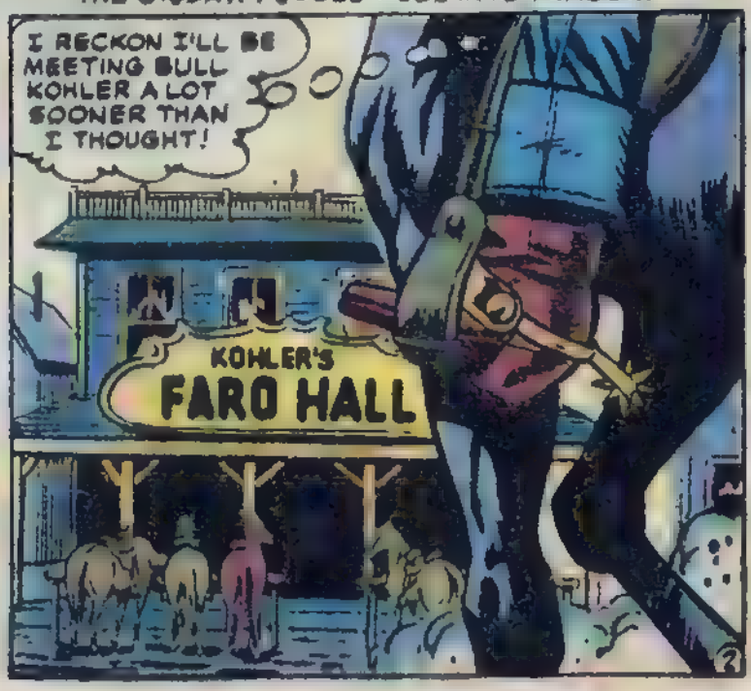

YOU'RE ONE O' BULL KOHLER'S MEN! WELL, YUH CAN TELL BULL THAT I'M NOT BUDGIN' ONE INCH! TELL 'IM THAT NATE HAWKINS IS STAYIN' PUT!
I'D TELL HIM, ONLY I WOULDN'T KNOW BULL KOHLER FROM A GOPHER HOLE!


I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU'RE TELLING THE TRUTH OR NOT! IT'S BECOMING ALL THE MORE DIFFICULT THESE DAYS! YOU CAN HAVE YOUR WATER, AND THEN CLEAR OFF OUR LAND!
THANK YOU, MA'AM! WE WON'T BE A MINUTE!

A SHORT WHILE LATER, WHEN THE KID RESUMED THE TRAIL...


I SURE HATE HAVING THOSE PEOPLE GET THE WRONG IMPRESSION OF ME, AND I WONDER WHERE THIS BULL KOHLER FITS INTO THINGS? MAYBE I'D DO RIGHT RIDING INTO TOWN... JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY!

AND WHEN HE REACHED TOWN, THE FIRST PIECE OF THE JIGSAW PUZZLE FELL INTO PLACE...



BUT AS HE WAS ABOUT TO PUSH OPEN THE SWINGING DOORS...
JUST A MINUTE, STRANGER! IF YOU GOT BUSINESS INSIDE, YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO TALK IT OVER WITH ME FIRST!
I DON'T SEE WHERE IT'S ANY BUSINESS OF YOURS!
MEBBE, I'M MAKIN' IT MUH BUSINESS!
A MAN SHOULD BE CAREFUL BEFORE HE PUSHES HIS NOSE WHERE IT DOESN'T BELONG...
IT'S LIABLE TO GET HIM HURT!
OOOFFF!
FREEZE, YOU COYOTES! MAKE ONE MOVE AND I'LL PLAY IT FOR KEEPS!
YOU'VE MET YORE MATCH! NOW CLEAR OUT! G'WAN... BEAT IT... ALL OF YUH!
BULL KOHLER'S THE HANDLE! AND I DON'T MIND SAYIN' I LIKED WHAT I SAW! I CAN ALWAYS USE A HARD-HITTIN', FAST-GUN TYPE! STEP INSIDE AN' WE'LL TALK THINGS OVER!
SURE...
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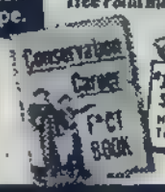

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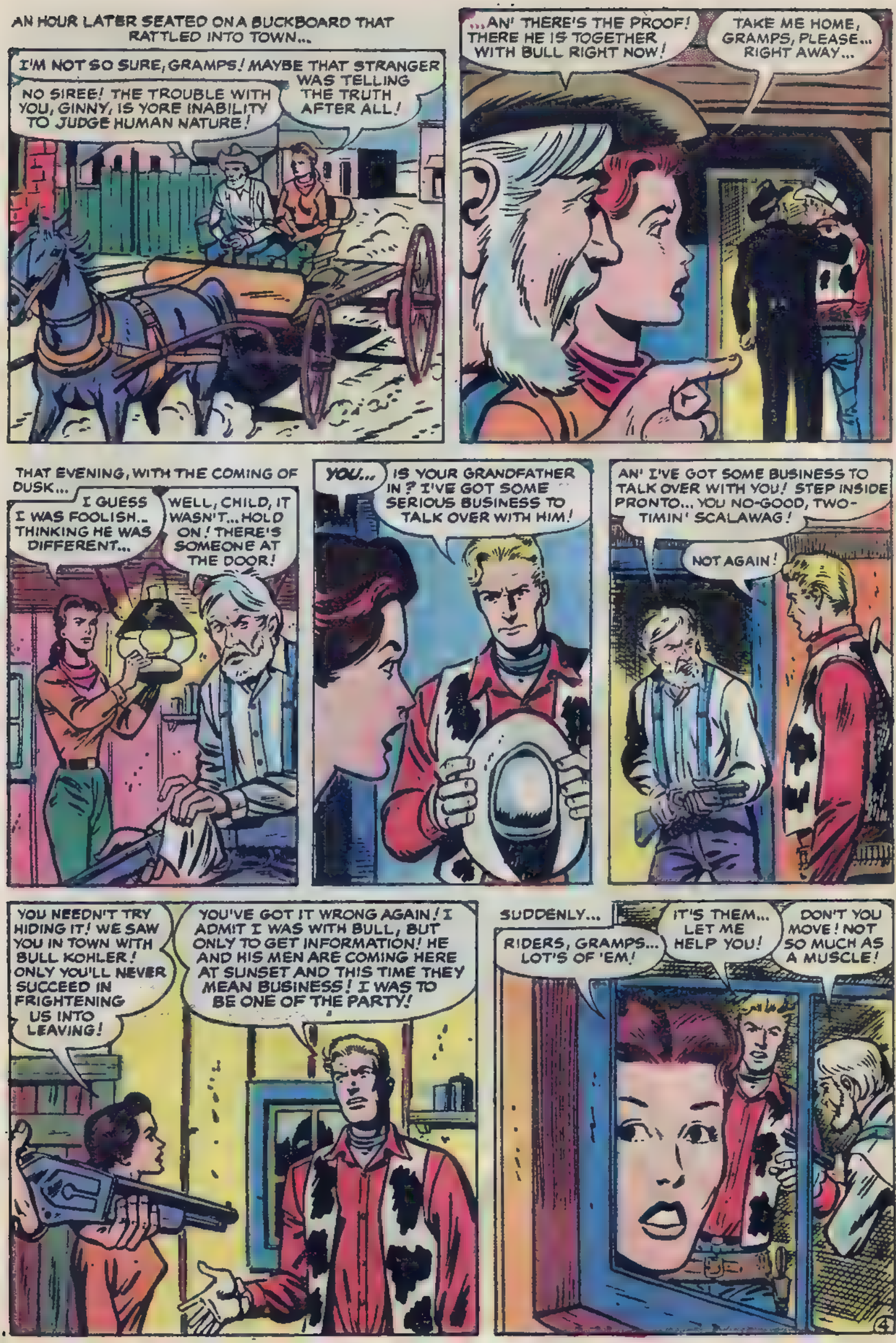
AN HOUR LATER SEATED ON A BUCKBOARD THAT RATTLED INTO TOWN...
I'M NOT SO SURE, GRAMPS! MAYBE THAT STRANGER WAS TELLING THE TRUTH AFTER ALL!
NO SIREE! THE TROUBLE WITH YOU, GINNY, IS YORE INABILITY TO JUDGE HUMAN NATURE!
...AN' THERE'S THE PROOF! THERE HE IS TOGETHER WITH BULL RIGHT NOW!
TAKE ME HOME, GRAMPS, PLEASE... RIGHT AWAY...
THAT EVENING, WITH THE COMING OF DUSK...
I GUESS I WAS FOOLISH.. THINKING HE WAS DIFFERENT...
WELL, CHILD, IT WASN'T... HOLD ON! THERE'S SOMEONE AT THE DOOR!
YOU...
IS YOUR GRANDFATHER IN? I'VE GOT SOME SERIOUS BUSINESS TO TALK OVER WITH HIM!
AN' I'VE GOT SOME BUSINESS TO TALK OVER WITH YOU! STEP INSIDE PRONTO... YOU NO-GOOD, TWO-TIMIN' SCALAWAG!
NOT AGAIN!
YOU NEEDN'T TRY HIDING IT! WE SAW YOU IN TOWN WITH BULL KOHLER! ONLY YOU'LL NEVER SUCCEED IN FRIGHTENING US INTO LEAVING!
YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG AGAIN! I ADMIT I WAS WITH BULL, BUT ONLY TO GET INFORMATION! HE AND HIS MEN ARE COMING HERE AT SUNSET AND THIS TIME THEY MEAN BUSINESS! I WAS TO BE ONE OF THE PARTY!
SUDDENLY...
RIDERS, GRAMPS... LOT'S OF 'EM!
IT'S THEM... LET ME HELP YOU!
DON'T YOU MOVE! NOT SO MUCH AS A MUSCLE!
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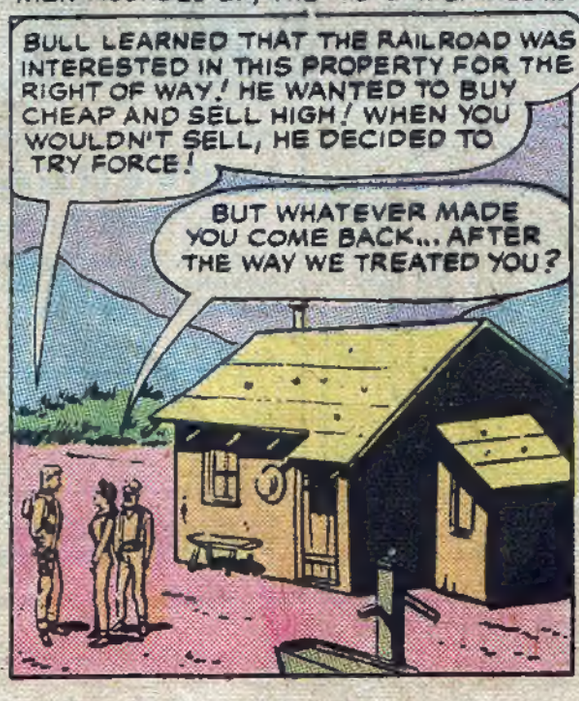
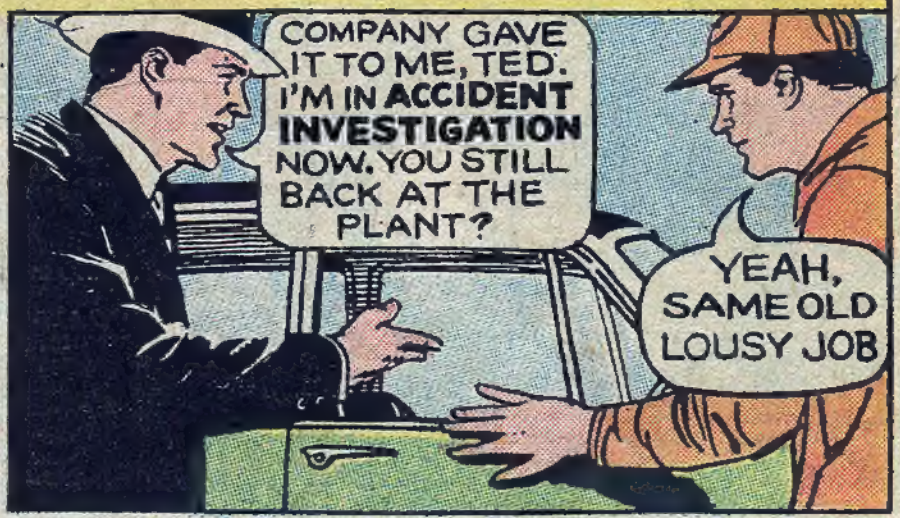
THEN THE DOOR SLAMMED OPEN, AND THE DUSK WAS TINGLED WITH ORANGE TONGUES OF FLAME...

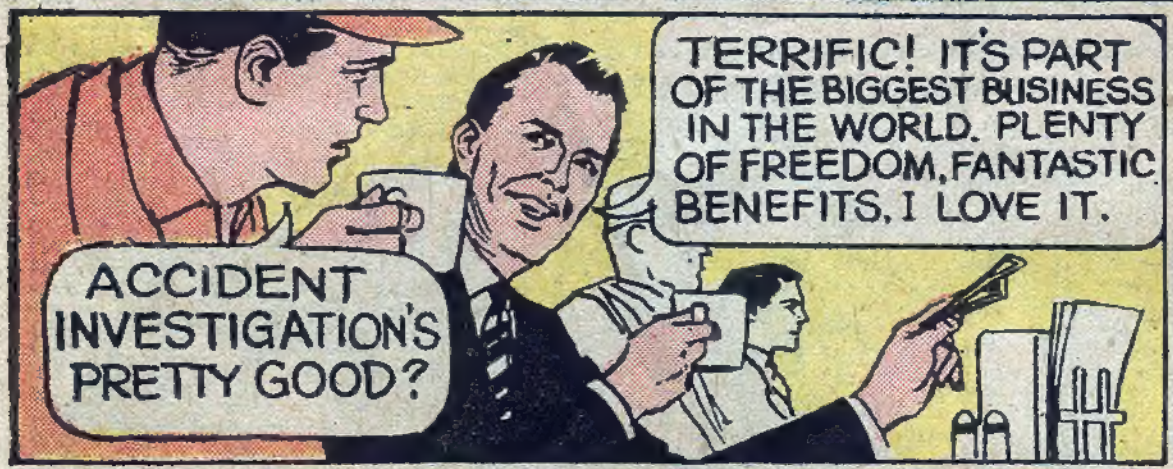
THE FOLLOWING MORNING, WITH THE GUNMEN ROUNDED UP, THE KID EXPLAINED...


BULL LEARNED THAT THE RAILROAD WAS INTERESTED IN THIS PROPERTY FOR THE RIGHT OF WAY! HE WANTED TO BUY CHEAP AND SELL HIGH! WHEN YOU WOULDN'T SELL, HE DECIDED TO TRY FORCE!
BUT WHATEVER MADE YOU COME BACK... AFTER THE WAY WE TREATED YOU?

I GUESS IT WAS MOSTLY BECAUSE YOU TOOK ME FOR WHAT I WASN'T! I JUST WANTED TO CHANGE A WRONG IMPRESSION!
AND YOU HAVE, KID... YOU MOST CERTAINLY HAVE!

HOW I GOT THE TIP OF MY LIFE

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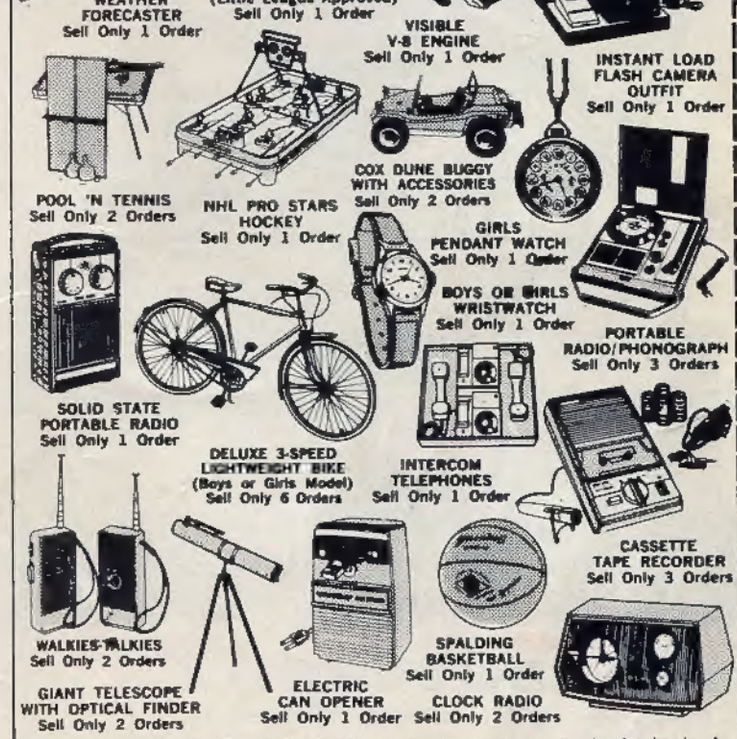

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